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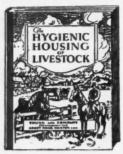
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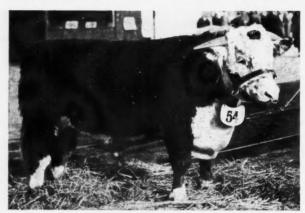
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BRITISH GOAT SOCIETY. — The forty-second Herd Book of the British Goat Society has just been issued. Particulars are given of show results, transfers of ownership, and milk records, in addition to the usual sections devoted to pedigree records. Published at 2s., copies may be obtained from the Society, Roydon Road, Diss, Norfolk.

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—The Society was formed in 1904, when the North Wales and the South Wales Black Cattle Societies were amalgamated. In June, 1874, the first Welsh Black Cattle Herd Book was published, containing 152 animals. In 1883 the North Wales breeders decided to issue a separate North Wales Herd Book, their first volume containing the pedigrees of 282 animals. Up to 1903, twelve volumes had been issued. The Welsh Black Cattle Society published its



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herd average cups are freely distributed.
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within the last few weeks. Some breeders
have secured several of these cups, as
mentioned below.

first joint Herd Book in 1905, and up to 1929 seventeen volumes had been issued. These seventeen volumes contain 3,838 bulls and 10,300 females. Since 1919 the Herd Book has been published annually. The Society has a membership of 245. While the north-west and western counties of Wales may be termed the "home" of pure-bred Welsh Blacks, herds are to be found in other parts of Wales and Mon-mouth-hire, and also in the English counties of Berks, Devon, Hants, Hereford, Oxon and Yorks.

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BRITISH DAIRY FARMERS'
ASSOCIATION.—At the recent meeting
of the Council, Mr. John Evens received
a very cord al welcome on taking the chair
for the first time as President. Deep
regret was expressed at the tragic death
of Dr. R. Stenhouse Williams, who was
an active member of the Council. The
report of the Show Committee revealed a
new classification regarding the baco pig
classes, to operate at the next Dairy Show.

RECORDING YEAR 1930-31 .- HERD AVERAGE CUPS. No. of Animals. Average Yield. Galls. 982 1,142 1,125 1,146 1,427 1,065 1,323 1,482 1,225 1,212 1,226 1,227 1,373 1,312 Average Cups won. 7 2 Winner of Cup for Herd Average. Anglesey Berkshire Bristol Bucks Derbyshire Dorsetshire Essex Glos ... Herts ... Norfolk Northants Notts ... Oxon ... Peak ... Somerset John Horridge
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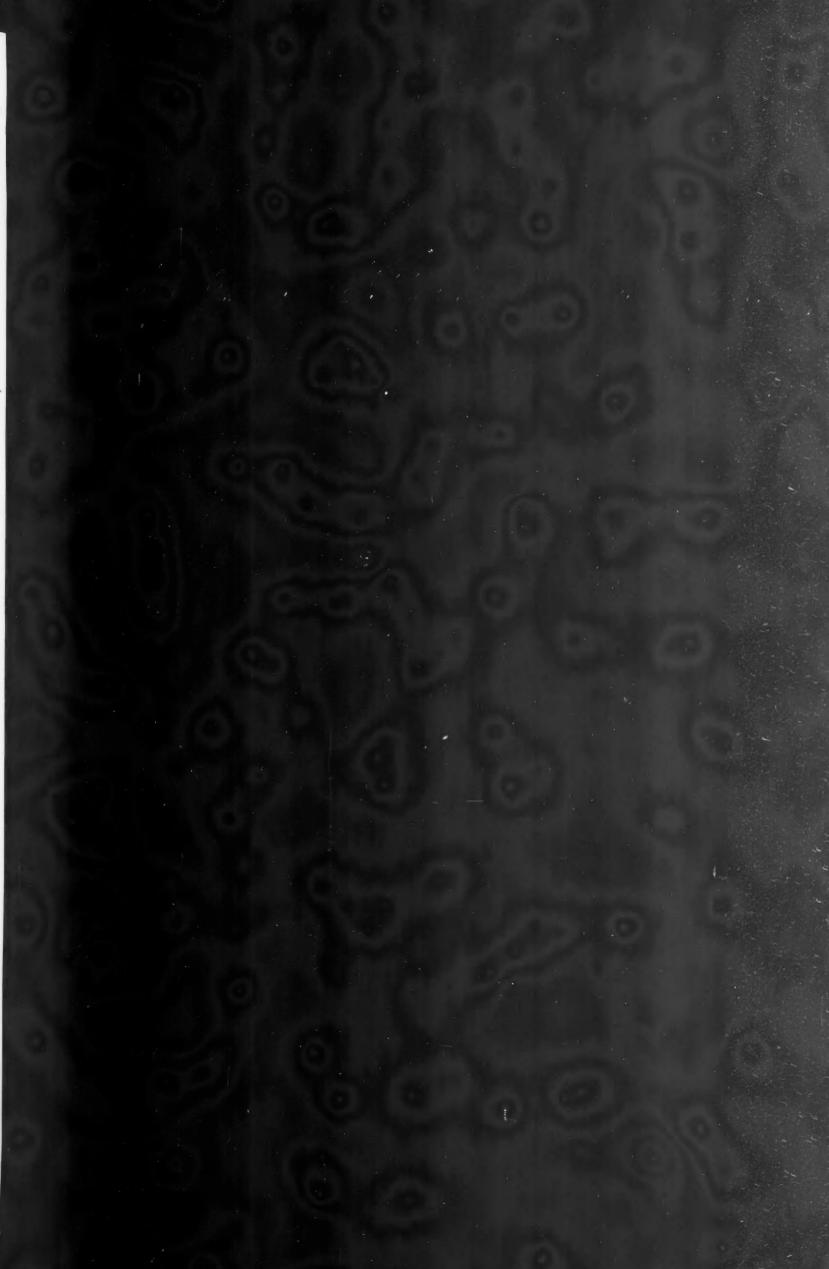
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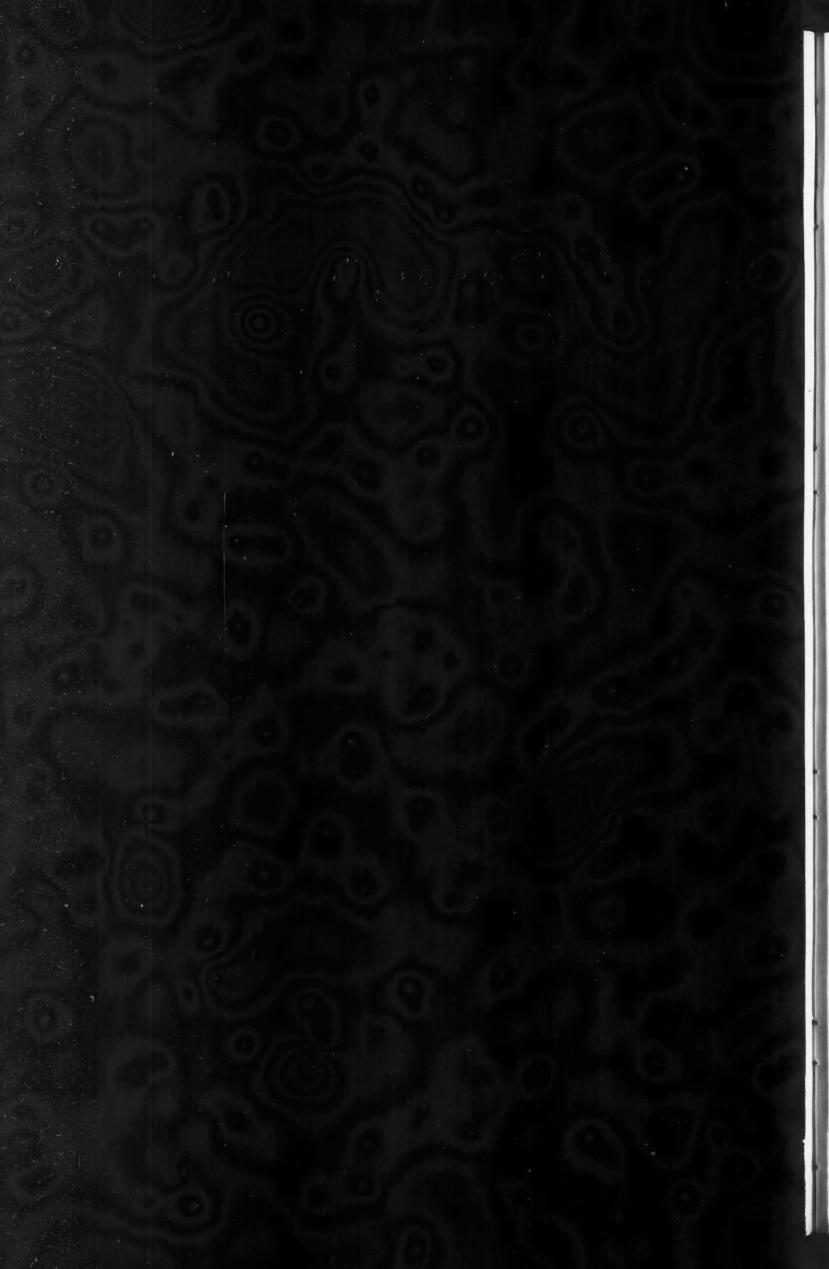
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ACROSS.

- 1. Flower which sounds suitable for the breakfast table.
- 6. A language of South Africa.
- 9. Places of learning. 10. Applicable to many birds
- and some animals.
- useful.

  12. A book of the Old Testa-
- ment. 13. Part of the head.
- 14. What we are apt to leave hurriedly when angry.
- 17. Springing up.
  19. Flowers of spring.
- 22. These are aids to speech, 24. A personal pronoun.

- A personal pronoun.
   European lake approved of by cattle.
   May also be found on the breakfast table.
   An Eastern title.
   Humiliation belowstairs.

- 31. Prescribed by doctors.
- 32. Hardly a man of the world.

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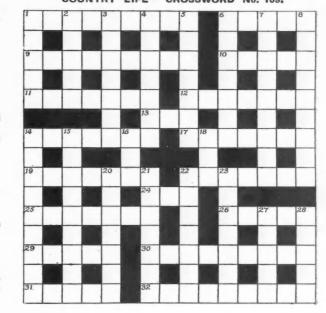
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DOWN.

- 1. This is generally described as vulgar.
- 2. The man who is accustomed to do this.
- 3. A dweller in solitude.
- 4. Fawned.
- Found on a horse.
- 5. Found on a norse.6. Support boxers or theatres7. Hardly careful.
- Waves.
- 14. The destiny of some plates is to be this.15. Ceremonially expelled.
- 16. This will catch you.
- 18. Another Eastern title. 20. Parts of more than one 13.
- 21. A female and an explosion make a hut.
- 22. A very common warrior. 23. You will have seen this in church.
- Roman confession of
- belief. 28. A London suburb.

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# HOPS

LTHOUGH hop growing is limited to four or five counties, and the total number of growers is estimated at no more than 1,500, no excuse is needed, we feel, for devoting a leading article to the subject in this issue. Not only is this a Kent number-perhaps the county most closely associated with the industry-but recent events have made hop growers the leaders in the movement to reorganise the production and marketing of produce made possible by the Agricultural Marketing Act (1931), and consistently urged in these columns, more especially by Mr. Christopher Turnor. Moreover, as Sir Daniel Hall reminded the mass meeting of hop growers held at Tunbridge Wells last month, hop growers have already had the experience, denied to every other form of agriculture, of seeing the marketing of their hops carried out through a single organisation, and carried out with remarkable success. And during the last three years they have had driven home on them the disastrous effect, in spite of a protective duty and in spite of dealing with a single body of consumers—the brewers, of failing to maintain a united front. They have learnt what producers in other fields have still, apparently, to learn, that, so long as farmers remain a set of scattered units, each trying to get in before the other man, the consumers' organisation will do what it likes with them. In the days of the Hop Control during the War and the years immediately succeeding, the Controller had power to limit the supply of hops, and distributed to growers a proportion, equivalent to their acreage and quality of hops, of the total amount sold of the year's produce. For some years after the end of the control, English Hopgrowers, Limited, continued a voluntary co-operative scheme, realising good prices. But a small percentage of growers, while taking advantage of the limited supply and fair price, withheld from the combine, and during the last three years have knocked the bottom out of the market, with the result that last year's crop has been practically unsaleable.

The Agricultural Marketing Act may be a cumbrous and involved Act, laden with all kinds of safeguards designed to protect the public from being exploited through a monopoly in any specific industry; but it does give, to each and every industry that shows itself capable of coming to terms with itself and putting forward a marketing scheme, mandatory power over all producers in a stated area. When a marketing scheme, put forward in agreement by members of an industry, has been approved by Parliament it becomes law, thus enabling producers to work out their own salvation. In the case of hops, the crux of the whole problem is to limit the supply. Owing to the decline in beer drinking, there is in England to-day an undoubted excess of supply over demand. The Act enables a check to be put upon supply through the amount that the central body arranges to sell on behalf of the growers. That body can have no power to tell a grower how much he can grow. It can only tell him how much it will sell, and perhaps advise on the quality of hop for which there is a demand. Once a scheme becomes operative it becomes a civil offence for a registered producer to sell other than through the central body. There are various provisions of a more or less technical nature deduceable from the Act, regarding such eventualities as the appearance on the scene of new growers. But the point is that the Act does provide machinery for an industry, at present faced with ruin, with a means of recovering prosperity, and that within a year.

For, as Lord Wolmer has pointed out to hop growers, they possess the unique advantage that, in their late society, English Hopgrowers, Limited, they have a working scheme already made out which only needs now to be pulled out of its pigeon-hole and clothed in the compulsory powers conferred by the Marketing Act. It is only a question. of their acting promptly for it to be possible to have a Scheme in operation by September, when the next hop crop will be ripe. The Ministry of Agriculture has stated that the minimum time in which a Scheme can pass through the various processes before becoming operative is nine months. This period can undoubtedly be reduced by hop growers, with their previous experience, so that, if they can produce a two-thirds majority in favour of a scheme based on the old English Hopgrowers' arrangement before the end of this month, and it goes through without a hitch, they will this autumn be getting, not £3, or nothing, per hundredweight for their crop, but perhaps £7 or £8 for a large proportion of it. All members of the industry have already received voting papers on this question, and it is up to them to decide which is the better: to make a dead loss on a full crop, or a fair profit on a proportion of it. If they decide to adopt a Scheme, they are assured of its most favourable treatment by the Ministry, since the Government is naturally anxious for the Act to bear fruit at the earliest possible moment. They will, moreover, have the satisfaction of knowing that they will have given the lead to every other department of British agriculture along the road to co-operation, which alone leads to prosperity.

# Our Frontispiece

THE frontispiece of this issue of COUNTRY LIFE is from a photograph of that very well known Kentish cricketer, Captain the Hon. W. S. Cornwallis, M.C., elder son of Lord Cornwallis and sometime captain of the Kent Eleven. He is following in his father's footsteps as an indefatigable member of the County Council, in which he has made a great reputation by his ability and popularity, and is President of the Association of Men of Kent and Kentish Men. Captain Cornwallis married in 1917 Miss Cecily Walker, daughter of Sir James Heron Walker, Bt., and has a son, Fiennes, born in 1921, and a daughter, Rosamond, born in 1918.

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# COUNTRY

KENT

S the "front garden of England" the county of Kent, which to-day's number celebrates, may be considered as having certain responsibilities. Jutting forward, as it does, before all the rest in the direction of the Continent, Kent has ever been the right hand of England, quick, whether in defence or welcome. its ring of fortresses from Sheerness to the martello towers of Dungeness, and the memory of the Dover Patrol keep fresh the record of its warlike past, it is clearly designed by nature to welcome rather than to repel, and it is the welcome extended to him by Kent's glistening cliffs and snug landscape that both the visitor and the returning Englishman loves best to think of. Through history, too, it is Kent's welcomes that have been the most fortunate: St. Augustine's coming, the influx of pilgrims to Canterbury that produced the first great poem in our language and, every year, the coming of spring to the orchards of the Weald. But this need for ever being in advance and presenting a smiling face sets no light duties on the men of Kent, and it is the remarkably efficient administration of the county that is its chief claim to respect to-day. In our leading article we explain how it is up to the men of Kent particularly to give a lead in agricultural reorganisation. Foremost, as they are, in other fields, in education, town planning, the preservation of amenities, and transport, and foremost in their love of their fair heritage, so will they, we are confident, show more backward shires the road to prosperity.

#### BRITISH INDUSTRIES-FAIR

F the wood were not so thick, some of the very creditable trees at Olympia would be seen more clearly and be more warmly acknowledged. It is possible to say that the British Industries Fair does contain some delightful things in the glass, pottery and metalwork sections, things of which British craftsmen may well be proud. But in the welter of indifferent work and the medley of trades represented it is not easy to unearth them. The furniture section, almost without exception, presents a discouraging spectacle from the point of view of design. The textile section at the White City, on the other hand, shows real progress towards beauty of design, and should do much to recover foreign trade. But what is needed is undoubtedly a small exhibition of "home industries" on the lines of the Swedish Exhibition of last summer, in which excellence of design should be the criterion and to which contributions should be subject to acceptance by a critical and impartial There is plenty of good work being done in committee. England, though often on a small scale or by firms that cannot afford to push themselves. A carefully chosen exhibition of modern English decorative and applied art would be an eye opener to most of those who believe that nice things can only be procured abroad. Were such an

exhibition to be staged, those who rendered it possible would be doing a great service to the country.

#### JOLLY YOUNG WATERMEN

THE Torpids at Oxford and the Lent Races at Cambridge have rowed themselves out, and a great many elder persons must have found consolation for their age in thinking that they had not to go to disport themselves in so few clothes and in such bitter weather. The names of the same colleges seem regularly to recur at the top of the list. Jesus deposed Pembroke from the Head of the River at Cambridge, but at the time of writing it is possible that Worcester may catch Magdalen at Oxford. The qualification for rowing in the Lent Races at Cambridge has lately been made more elastic, with the result that there were this time no fewer than five divisions, and Jesus had six boats on the river, while a number of other colleges had five. This says something for Cambridge rowing keenness, and it certainly is great at the moment, no doubt increased by the now long string of triumphs in the University boat race. Colonel J. H. Gibbon, one of the most famous of Cambridge strokes and coaches, has gone over to help Oxford. It is probable that this year his efforts will be chiefly in the nature of spadework, but there may be more to show for them next year. At the moment Cambridge are very strong favourites for this year's race, and the general view seems to be that nothing short of a tidal wave can stop them from winning.

#### MANY MOONS

I have seen a flat moon afloat in a reed-bordered river,
A moon, rolling, red as an orange, low above fields of corn;
A shy moon, streaking a yellowing sunset,
A white spring moon, between twigs of thorn.

A moon like a torn sail, blown over clouds at noonday,
A blotched moon, above roofs, like a huge balloon;
A cold moon hurled, like a polished disc through the darkness,
A moon . . and a moon . . . and a moon.

KATHLEEN CONYNGHAM GREENE.

#### THE PENAL SYSTEM

F any doubt remained of the need for a drastic revision of the penal code, the continued disorders at Dartmoor must have diminished them. The most disturbing thing is that the "loyal" prisoners may be being subjected to a terrorism by the out-of-hand group of desperadoes. The most illuminating suggestion on the subject has been made by the Bishop of Exeter, whose recent letter in the *Times* leaves little doubt that the present system in force at Dartmoor tries to do two things, and would seem to fail in both. The result of diminishing the harshness of prison life is that it fails to act as a deterrent or adequate punishment, while it is unnecessarily severe considered as a reformatory process for the remediable class of criminal. As an example of a different system the bishop instanced Switzerland, where the two systems, punishment and reform, are kept completely separate. The old type of prison, with all its harshness, remains for criminals of the "gunman" type, and short terms in it are administered to other types of criminal, too. But cases judged remediable are soon removed to a house of detention, where not only is the prison atmosphere absent, but all reasonable comforts are supplied. Many classes of offender go straight to the house of detention. Since any attempt at escape involves a return to the prison, the men are, in fact, content to live on parole, and many testimonies have been received to the "new start in life" that this enlightened *régime* provides. It is clear, from the alarming growth of brutal crimes, that our existing penal code fails to act as a deterrent, and that a reform along some such lines as the Swiss is urgent.

# "THEY'RE CUTTING DOWN THE TREES IN CHEYNE ROW"

A PRUNED tree is a sad, naked spectacle, and it is particularly sad when pruning has to be done—or, at any rate, is done—in one of the most charming and famous of streets. Many people must have sympathised deeply with the sentiments of the ballade, lately published in the *Times* over the "intriguing" and apparently composite initials G. K. M. B. C., with its refrain, "They're cutting

down the trees in Cheyne Row." No wonder that Chelsea opinion is violently stirred. It is also divided, because there is, no doubt, a great deal to be said on the prosaic, as against the sentimental, side. Mr. Lionel de Rothschild has pointed out that the authorities are in a serious dilemma, and "it is unfair to censure their severe treatment of trees ill placed by their predecessors and neglected in their youth." Children, so engaging in their youth, will insist on growing; so, a much more tragic example, will kittens; and trees have the same annoying habit. The plane is a most beautiful tree, but it can grow so large as to make grave difficulties in the matter of light and air. If planting were always done with a thought to the future, many acts of seeming impiety would be unnecessary.

#### THE NURSE'S CALLING

THE hospital nurse's is the most noble calling to which a woman can devote her life, and inevitably it must be an exacting one. Although, in this country, it has no actual connection with the religious orders, the service of the sick is an ideal to which an aspirant must be willing to consecrate his or her life at the expense of many of the ordinary social pleasures. It is the honour of the sex that so many women gladly give the best years of their lives to ministering to the sick. But it is only reasonable that the nurse's discipline should apply to her efficiency as a nurse rather than weigh upon her hours of leisure, and that every effort should be made by the hospitals to ameliorate her life so far as is consistent with her efficiency. It is the merit of the Report of the Lancet Commission on Nursing, of which Lord Crawford is chairman, that, while making numerous suggestions for small adjustments by which the nurse's life could be made easier, it has not fallen into the trap of seeking to make the nurse's career compete in attractiveness with any other. That it can never do. It is a calling to a high ideal not to be lightly undertaken. But it rightly recommends more personal liberty, better accommodation in specific cases, and the The larger hospitals alleviating of irksome restrictions. have done, and are doing, much for the benefit of their nurses. It is in the smaller ones, hard put to it to carry on their service, that conditions are sometimes not what they might be.

#### COUNTY PATRIOTISM

THE English countryside and everything that is characteristic of it has no more devoted or eloquent upholder than Mr. Baldwin, and in a speech to the Worcestershire Association he has just been deploring that the pure dialect of his own beloved county is more rarely heard than of old. He was backed up by another county patriot, Lord Irwin, who can have, at any rate, the satisfaction of thinking that as long as there is any dialect left in England, its last stronghold will probably be Yorkshire. Board schools and travelling, the voices of B.B.C. announcers, and what Jasper Petulengro termed "that mad puppy called gentility"—all these and many other things are blamed for this state of affairs, which is, in fact, inevitable. It is no new one, for it is over a hundred years ago now that old William Beldham, the great Hambledon cricketer, lamented that in his young days a player had only to speak and everyone knew from what county he came. He added in one of the pithiest and more picturesque sentences ever spoken, "It was easy to tell the Kent boys as they came staring into the Green Man." Poor Kent is to-day almost conquered by the all-pervading Cockney, but north, west and east there are still to be found accents and words redolent of the soil. Mr. Baldwin told a pleasant story of a Worcestershire farmer who wanted foreign hops kept out, and on being asked to define "foreign," answered, "Hereford." Such delightfully local tariff reform as that is now too much to hope for.

#### SKY-WRITING

THE proposal of the Home Secretary that a select committee should be appointed to enquire into the question of sky-writing will be welcomed by all who have felt concern over the possibilities of Major Savage's invention. Some sort of control is obviously desirable if the sky, on certain nights, is to be preserved from repeating on a grand scale the vulgarities of Piccadilly Circus, and it is good to know

that legislation is foreshadowed before any vested interests can be established. On the other hand, the demonstration given by the inventor one evening last week showed that fears have been somewhat exaggerated. While the absence of clouds precluded any final judgment, it was demonstrated conclusively that the use of the invention is restricted to nights when the sky is covered by a thick and level blanket of clouds, and, taking the whole year round, the average time when these conditions obtain works out at a little over an hour per night. The appointment of a representative body to examine the whole question will ensure that full account is taken of the invention in all its implications.

#### SHIRE HORSES

IF ever the farm is completely mechanised—which Heaven forbid—the Shire Horse Society's annual show at the Agricultural Hall may be replaced by an assortment of engines that does not bear thinking about. Effective enough, no doubt, but not beautiful to see led round the ring, or bringing any satisfaction to a breeder! But there is no real likelihood of the Shire horse ever being ousted off the land. As the president of the society, Mr. N. W. Smith-Carington, truly said, there is room for both horse and motor on the farm, for, up to a distance of six miles, horse' transport is undoubtedly cheaper than motor, and even up to sixteen may be said to have the advantage. This week's show—the fifty-third—produced actually more entries than is usual, and the standard was every bit as high. In spite of the hard times, too, there has been scarcely any falling off in membership. This is the more remarkable since ninety-nine per cent. of the exhibitors are bona fide agriculturists. Next week, at Islington, will be the Hunter and Pony Spring Shows.

#### A MAN OF KENT

The turquoise skies of Italy are spread Like a vast canopy above my head: With the blue seas of Italy are spun Silver of moonbeams, strands of golden sun, And on the terraced hills embossed with vines Stand cypress sentinels and dusky pines.

Beauty is here, sheer grandeur, majesty,
Colour and light, and yet I long to see
The misty blueness of the sweet Kent hills,
The tranquil meadow ponds, the dancing rills;
Thatched cottages with gardens small and trim—
And, as I muse, this foreign land grows dim.

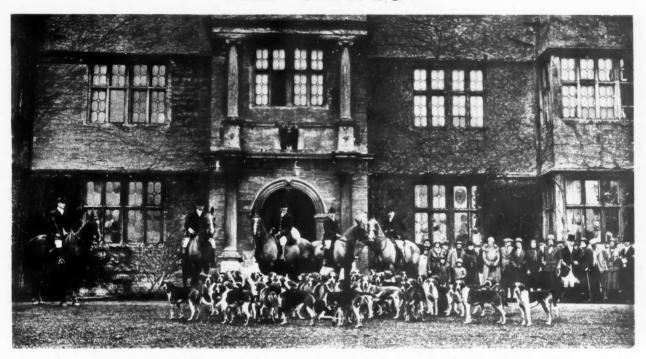
The vineyards vanish, rising in their stead
I see the trellised hops above my head,
The oasts, whose pointed cowls gleam white as snow,
The old tithe barns, orchards where quinces grow.
Once born a "man of Kent" I find it vain
To roam, for one at heart I still remain!

LESLIE M. OYLER.

#### THE NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

T is seventy-five years since the National Portrait Gallery was founded, and nearly forty years since the present building was opened in St. Martin's Place. During that time a collection has been brought together which, for richness of artistic and historical interest, has become the envy of every country in the world. But how to maintain the remarkably high standard of representation which has been attained in two generations? The villain of the piece, it would appear, is the photographer, to whom the great ones of the nation are now in the habit of sitting for their portraits. For one thing, it is less expensive, and, for another, the ordeal is sooner over, and so many people, it is said, are content to have their portraits painted only once in a lifetime. It is, therefore, becoming increasingly difficult for the trustees to secure portraits of celebrities, and the Gallery has no fund out of which they can purchase them from living persons. There is much to be said for the suggestion put forward by Mr. Evan Charteris and Lord Crawford, that the Gallery should concentrate on purchasing a certain number of drawings each year. A drawing is easy to store and easy to exhibit, it can give an excellent likeness, and, what in these days is a pertinent consideration, it is considerably cheaper than a portrait in oils.

# Famous Hunts and their Countries THE GRAFTON



THE GRAFTON HOUNDS AT GAYHURST HOUSE, NEAR NEWPORT PAGNELL (From left to right): J. Lee (2nd whipper-in), Lord Hillingdon (Master), W. Pope (huntsman), P. Catton (1st whipper-in) and Captain T. G. Du Buisson (hon. secretary)

OX hunting and farming, it cannot too often be repeated, have much in common. One mutual and highly satisfactory feature is that no part of England has, in either case, any monopoly of success or distinction. But naturally some districts represent better than others the most highly organised farming or the most satisfying fox hunting. The fertile landscape of Lincolnshire, for example, would give a better single impression of English farming than the sheep runs of the Welsh hills. If a corresponding single impression was required of all that is best in English fox hunting—the houndwork, the horsemanship, the staff work, the sociability of neighbouring residents, the power of tradition and prestige, the value of personal influence as opposed to lavish expenditure—then the Grafton country might with confidence be chosen to supply it.

hunting—the houndwork, the horsemanship, the staff work, the sociability of neighbouring residents, the power of tradition and prestige, the value of personal influence as opposed to lavish expenditure—then the Grafton country might with confidence be chosen to supply it. This is not an idle compliment, but a responsible statement. There may, perhaps, be a few countries with barer landscapes which can show off their houndwork to rather better advantage, but nowhere have professional skill and experience been more successfully applied to enhance the attractions of fox hunting, and yet to preserve its original social fabric.

The Grafton is one of those packs which hunt just outside the boundaries of the Shires, and it is thus able to enjoy a country largely, though not wholly, under grass, without the disadvatanges attaching to extreme popular favour. The country stretches from Weedon, of cavalry fame (the north-western corner, between Weedon and Preston Capes, being hunted by courtesy of the Pytchley Hunt), to Newport Pagnell (south-east), and from Brackley (south-west) to Castle Ashby (north-east). It would scarcely be possible to hunt this area as often as four days a week were it not that half of it is characterised by big woodlands, the remains,

indeed, of former forests. For not only can these great strongholds be hunted incessantly without fear of doing damage or of running short of foxes, but the more they are hunted the better they supply with foxes the open half of the country. Between Towcester and Buckingham lies Whittlebury Forest, "enclosed," like so many others, early in the last century, and now forming a group of very big coverts. Incidentally it rendered a great service to fox hunting even before its enclosure, for it was in Whittlebury Forest that one of the best of hunters, Brush, ran wild for six years before he was breaken and thereoffer regularly hunted by

years before he was broken, and thereafter regularly hunted, by Thomas Oldacre, huntsman to the Berkeley Foxhounds, in whose company he was immortalised by Ben Marshall. Farther away to the north-east is Salcey Forest, not so big and more compact; and three miles farther on again lies Yardley Chase, another group of big woodlands. But, although these coverts are very big, they are well preserved and well rided, so that in the woodland hunts it is easy to enjoy both the houndwork and the music, and the foxes can often be driven from their shelter and induced to make good points. It is on Wednesdays and Saturdays that these woods are hunted; Mondays and Fridays are spent on the open grassland between Northampton, Towcester, Brackley and Weedon—the north-west side of the country. There is very little ploughland within this delectable area, and whether it is that the land is more suitable for mixed farming (dairy cattle, sheep and rearing young stock) than for fattening bullocks, or whether the credit is due to the persuasive powers of the Grafton officials, there is practically no wire at all. Certainly it is not money which has kept the wire down, for the Grafton wire fund is of very modest proportions.

But if there still is a

But if there still is a country where the fences do not need to be guarded by wire,



LORD HILLINGDON, MASTER OF THE GRAFTON HOUNDS



POTENTIAL FOX HUNTERS. SCHOOLBOYS AT STOWE FOLLOWING THE GRAFTON HOUNDS ON FOOT

surely it is this. By common consent its fences are bigger and stiffer than in any other district where man and horse may expect to go into every field with the hounds. Almost all the fences *can* be negotiated, but though here and there the hedge-cutting competitions of the Grafton Hunt have converted hedge-cutting competitions of the Grafton Hunt have converted forbidding bullfinches into scarcely less forbidding cut and laid fences, in some other parts no hedge cutting appears to have been done for many years—at any rate, since the War. When the level fences of the Bedale country were described in these pages last month, it was suggested that scarcely a single bullfinch existed in that part of Yorkshire. But Northampton-shire is a very different proposition, and in the Grafton Monday and Friday countries probably four fences out of five are bullfinches, and the majority of them uncommonly stiff bullfinches. Indeed, in many of the oldest and shaggiest the only practicable place is a piece of stiff timber defending a former gap. Moreover, the country is by no means flat, and not only must many of the place is a piece of stiff timber defending a former gap. Moreover, the country is by no means flat, and not only must many of the fences be jumped up or down hill, but down each little valley runs something which begins as a deep ditch and ends as an impassable bottom. Round Plumpton and Moreton Pinkney the obstacles are terrific, and no one need bother to go out with the hounds there unless he jumps big fences with relish, for the Grafton field is exceptionally well mounted, and gaps do not come even to him who waits. From Plumpton Wood the Friday country stretches south to Brackley, and the Monday country north to Weedon, and the only fault to be found with them is that each is really too small, being little more than half a dozen miles square. But the coverts are wonderfully reliable—Plumpton square. But the coverts are wonderfully reliable—Plumpton Wood and Stowe Wood are the only ones of any size—and although there are some, such as Maidford Wood, Seawell Wood, Grubs

Copse and Grimscote Heath, which the hounds seem to visit almost every week, the farmers are as loyal as any in the kingdom, and the foxes show no tendency to desert by way of protest.

The foundations of this loyalty on the part of the farmers were laid by the Fitzroy family. From the beginning of the last century until 1882 the hounds belonged to the Dukes of Grafton and had a Fitzroy as Macter, including from 1842 to 1864, the century until 1882 the hounds belonged to the Dukes of Grafton and had a Fitzroy as Master, including, from 1842 to 1861, the Lord Southampton of that day. From 1882 to 1905 the Douglas-Pennant family supplied the Master. Then the present Lord Southampton had the hounds for a couple of seasons, followed by Mr. Charles McNeill and Sir Samuel Scott (1908–13), and by Major H. Hawkins (1913–20). In 1920 Lord Hillingdon was appointed Master, and though he was allowed a well earned rest in 1928, Major V. D. S. Williams and Mr. A. E. S. Guinness serving in his stead, he was very properly re-elected last spring, and will certainly not be spared again for many years to come. As in the case of other well established family packs, during the nineteenth century the huntsmen of the Grafton were few and famous. But even with such a high standard for comparison, surely the Grafton Hounds can never have provided more sport and more pleasure than under their present huntsman, Will Pope? Many Oxford undergraduates who hunted with the Bicester Many Oxford undergraduates who hunted with the Bicester between 1925 and 1928 must have had their first impression of perfect staff work supplied by Johnson as huntsman and Pope as first whipper-in—a wonderful combination which showed wonderful sport. It was too good to last, however, and in 1928 Pope was appointed huntsman to the Grafton, and has hunted the hounds four days a week ever since, crossing this formidable country with serene cheerfulness, always with his hounds and usually not far behind his fox.



ROXBURGH, HEADMASTER OF STOWE SCHOOL, TALKING TO CAPT. DU BUISSON (hon. secretary) AND MR. E. MACPHERSON

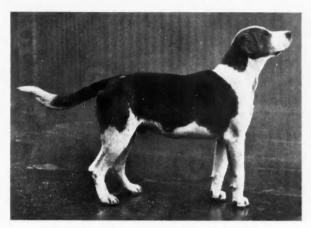


(Master) AT GAYHURST LORD HILLINGDON HOUSE

But, as in other cases, much of the serenity and of the ultimate success is due to confidence in the hounds themselves. The Grafton pack, of course, with its unbroken records, has foundations deeply embedded in fine hunting strains, and in the expert care of Lord Hillingdon and Pope its brilliance has flared up afresh. The pack was greatly strengthened early in Lord Hillingdon's first period of mastership from several sources, but notably by a large draft of bitches from the V.W.H. (Lord Bathurst's), whose names figure prominently in the tail female of the present pedigrees. On the male side a number of crosses of Holderness, Old Berkshire and North Staffordshire blood are the most conspicuous. But it is the blood of Grafton Woodman (1892), approved by so many packs in turn, that the Master is particularly anxious to recover in the outcrosses, and if possible he likes it to be combined with that of Oakley Despot. He has found it principally through some of the beautifully bred Puckeridge sires of twenty years ago. Old Berks Clinker (1921) is one instance of a valuable line through the Puckeridge to Woodman, and another is provided by a bitch called Harebell (1915). She, with the Duke of Beaufort's Rufus (1919), produced Russet and Ruthful (1922), who have rendered invaluable help. Another line to Woodman has been secured through Zetland Trimbush (1918), who also brings in much good Belvoir blood. Of the Grafton-bred sires, Guardian (1918) and his son Gallant (1924); Prophet (1924), by Holderness Prophet (1920); Standard (1926), by Old Berks Stormer (1923); and Warden (1925), by Holderness

Wildboy (1919), have been the most successful, and with these different strains to be interwoven the Grafton kennel will probably need but little outside blood in the immediate future. The accompanying photographs will illustrate the main features of the breeding. The line to Woodman through Zetland Trimbush is worthily represented by his grandsons, Traitor and Troubler (1928), by Holderness Wildboy (1919), and Statesman (1928), by Old Berks Stormer (1923). Holderness blood on the male and V.W.H. (Lord Bathurst's) on the female side are responsible for Wildman (1929), by Prophet (1924), and Winsome, by Wiseacre (1925, also by Holderness Wildboy). Helper (1929), a most attractive hound with splendid muscle, who has already sired some very promising stock, is by North Staffs Helper (1923), and through his dam brings in more Old Berks blood. Garnish (1930) is a handsome daughter of Gallant (1924) and Lord Bathurst's Tonic (1923). In fact, if it is not an impertinence to say so, the Grafton breeding is as well designed as it is successful. As in some other kennels, the standard of size has lately been reduced, and the present pack has all the alert activity of the medium-sized, rather lighter built hound, emphasised by the broad backs and splendid hard muscle characteristic of perfect kennel management.

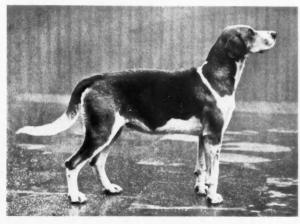
But these hounds are bred not to look at, but to catch foxes in front of some of the finest horsemen in England—a point not likely to be forgotten by anyone who has ever seen them out hunting. It may look difficult, but it is really comparatively



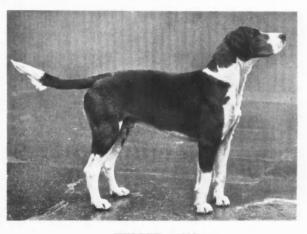
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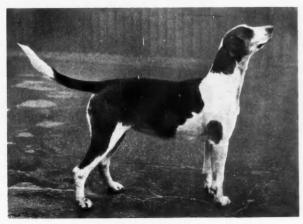
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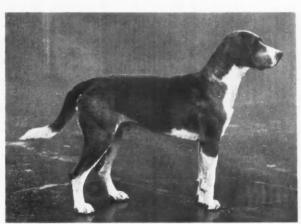
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GARNISH (1930)



WILDMAN (1929)

easy to keep the hounds in front of the horses by a succession of long "forward casts." On the contrary, "forward casts." On the contrary, it may look easy, but it is really extraordinarily hard to keep the hounds running on of their own accord in a popular grass country. But the Grafton authorities contrive to do it—with the aid of no aimless galloping, no stampedes to holloas, but of quick casts by a huntsman who is already with his hounds, and who holds the confidence of an appreciative field. But, appreciative though it is of houndwork, and formidable though the fences are, the Grafton field does the form of the field of the fi "go"—not in one or two groups behind trusted pilots, but, as the military text books say, on a broad front. And even more remarkable than the number of people who do go is the absence of any who do not go. The standard, of course, is raised and the general attitude enlivened by the representatives of the Army Equitation School at Weedon. For at Weedon, which lies just over the

at Weedon, which lies just over the Pytchley border, hunting is part of the curriculum—stop your ears, ye schoolboys and undergraduates!

These unfortunate fellows at Weedon are obliged to hunt! Not much inducement is needed, of course, with the Pytchley and the Grafton close at hand, and on perfectly trained or half-trained horses alike, Weedon is always prepared to lead the attack. Nor are its warriors often seen to be advancing on—what an army traditionally marches on. Indeed, fewer falls of any sort are to be witnessed here than in parts of England where the fences are very much smaller. But despite the tremendous resources of the military, the civilian element holds its own with great regularity,



POPE (huntsman) TALKING TO MR. A. E. S. GUINNESS (late Master) and MRS. ALEXANDER

and whenever the Grafton hounds are running hard, it is very seldom that

Master are not in the first half-dozen.

And the moral? The Grafton provides not so much a moral, as a model. In the perfect fox-hunting country, the hounds, the horses and the servants should be the very best that care and wise expenditure can produce. The field should show its that care and wise expenditure can produce. The field should show its confidence in the establishment by being equally well mounted, and should, by its studied smartness, reflect a compliment to the Master and to the hospitality of those over whose land it passes. Are not these the characteristics of the Grafton country? Its smartness is not that of strangers "cutting a dash," for, apart from those who hunt from Weedon, the field contains very few of those migratory visitors who feature so prominently in the Shires. In fact, the Grafton Hunt seems to have keyed up provincial fox hunting to the highest possible pitch of efficiency, and yet has not lost the friendly intimacy and the esprit de corps of neighbouring residents. It is, so it of neighbouring residents. It is, so it

of neighbouring residents. It is, so it appears, efficient and smart merely for its own satisfaction, and not to astonish others. It starts, of course, with the advantages of tradition and prestige in its favour, but its continued success is due to the careful management of those who realise that, to return to our opening phrase, fox hunting has more in common with farming than with fashionable interests. It is the concentration of professional skill and private resources on the foundation of local enthusiasm which thus enables fox hunting to provide for all, of high or of low degree, the maximum of pleasure. high or of low degree, the maximum of pleasure.

#### **BEFORE** THEIR SHADOWS

By BERNARD DARWIN

T seems a desperately rash thing to say it—even while touching wood and shaking the left leg—but we have come to the end of winter golf. Here is February at its last gasp, and, though there may be blizzards ahead of us and snow on the ground when these almost impious words are printed, yet surely with the First of March, St. David's Day, comes spring. Yes, to the golfer, at any rate, spring comes with the first shots played after tea. The complete evening round is still afar off, but it is possible to make a dash out after tea and bit a few balls. These is not believed. tea and hit a few balls. There is nothing that can give quite the same joyous feeling of expectancy save the moment in the month after when the cuckoo "opes his bill."

When I look at my diary I see that once March has come

the pages begin to grow quite thickly dotted with engagements. Of course, there have been matches at odd times all through the winter, but there is a convention that in these everybody is rather out of practice and it does not so much matter what happens. With March, people can no longer pretend that; there is serious work to be done, and excuses will not be taken.

The first three events that I see in my diary are the tour of a team from the Royal Lytham and St. Anne's Club in the south, the Halford Hewitt Cup and the University match. The last two are hardy annuals, but this invasion of St. Anne's tourists, who are to play two or three of the leading London sides, and also the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society at Woking, is as new as it is pleasant. Those who play their Woking, is as new as it is pleasant. Those who play their golf inland often go touring to the links by the sea, to be received with much hospitality. Nobody knows that better than the members of the Society, who have been playing and dining at St. Anne's since 1899. Now the seasiders are doing what I am rather surprised they do not do oftener, namely, make a tour inland, and we shall have the pleasure of being, for once in a very long while, hosts. London will find, I fancy, if it does not know it already, that some very good players come out of Lancashire. There are two particularly good young ones, Mr. J. R. Smith and Mr. Noble. Mr. Smith is, I believe, the better player of the two, but it may be said of Mr. Noble that, if only he were as good as his style, there would be nobody better than him anywhere. Then there will be, I hope, Mr. George Henriques and Mr. Goodwin and Dr. Johnson and Mr. Percy Clough, and the eternally youthful Mr. Pym Williamson to be, I trust sternly and efficiently, in loco parentis to the team. It ought to be a good and jolly week's golf.

The mention of St. Anne's brings me naturally to the University match, because it is at St. Anne's that Oxford and

Cambridge will meet for the first time in the matin's history. I think it was just before the War that an Oxford golf captain, having the choice of venue for the year, proposed, or threatened to take the match to Dornoch. That is a noble course, but it is rather a long way off; less frantic counsels prevailed, and, so far, the match has never been played farther north than at Hoylake. So to go to St. Anne's is breaking new ground, and there will be a new gallery of onlookers, most of whom have probably never watched a University match before.

The young gentlemen have chosen as exacting a test of their powers as could well be found. People sometimes criticise St. Anne's in that it provides an examination in, rather than a game of, golf. It is not, I think, a fair criticism, but it has, a game of, goir. It is not, I think, a fair criticism, but it has, perhaps, just that sting of half-truth which an unfair criticism often possesses. The fact is that there is an almost fiercely large number of bunkers, and it may quite legitimately be said that the supremely great holes of the world are made by one or two dominating bunkers and not by a man with a spade. The answer is, I think, that at such supreme holes it is not only the one bunker of strong character that does it, but also only the one bunker of strong character that does it, but also the natural rise and fall of the ground in alliance with it. The ground at St. Anne's, though it provides lovely lies and greens, has not a great many natural advantages; it is something too flat, and therefore a more prodigal display of bunkers was necessary than on some other courses. I admit that there have been unlucky days there when I have grown a little tired of sand: when I have stood despairingly on the tee to the fifth or sand: when I have stood despairingly on the tee to the fifth hole in a cross-wind and wondered whether it was conceivable that my ball should by a fluke pick out a little oasis of grass. These, however, have been passing and unworthy moods, and when I was at St. Anne's last Easter I enjoyed the golf enormously and thought it very, very good indeed. It will be great and interesting fun to see the young gentlemen trying to deal with it.

The question as to which of these two University sides is going to win, which has been casually and vaguely discussed going to win, which has been casually and vaguely discussed since last October, becomes about now a matter of practical politics. Oxford certainly began the season as favourites. With six old blues and the two spare men of last year left, and one freshman decidedly above the average both in ability and experience, in the younger Mr. Sweeny, they had every right to the position. Then Cambridge began to do uncommonly well. They had only three old blues and one of the spare men, and no outstanding freshmen; but they turned out to have several good seniors, in particular Mr. White and Mr. Thomson. Golfers can be divided into winners and losers, and these two—and, in a lesser degree, one or two other of the new men—appear to be essentially winners. Though one typical and most courageous winner has gone down in Mr. Longhurst, some of the others in last year's side looked like good golfers, but had the unfortunate knack of losing matches. So, perhaps, a comparatively clean sweep and a fresh start was no great misfortune. At any rate, Cambridge have, on the whole, done well, and the pendulum of popular favour began to swing. The most consistent Cambridge admirer I know is not a Cambridge man, but he is a good judge of a golfer; that is Sir Guy

Campbell, and he has again this year been strong in his convictions. I should be inclined to say that the betting had come down to even money, until Oxford went to Sunningdale. There, after having a thoroughly bad time of it in the foursames, they got all their losses back and one decisive win into the bargain in the singles. Sunningdale, if not quite at their devastating best, had yet a strong side entrenched in its own heather. It was really a very good win for Oxford, following on quite a respectable one against Woking, and I imagine that it has made them favourites again, though not to the extent of any extravagant odds.

# AT THE THEATRE

#### BETWEEN TWO STOOLS

ALK or action, which is it to be? Diderot, we are told, went to the play with his ears stuffed full of cottonwool so that he could judge it on the dumb show alone. This can only have been on the theory that drama is a conflict of wills expressed in action which is the external manifestation of that conflict. According to this theory the action should speak for itself, which is what the interrupter meant when he bade the auctioneer cut the cackle and come to the 'osses. But the slightest reflection should convince anybody that Diderot was speaking through his hat. What, for example, would any critic gather, and what delight would he experience if he shut his ears to the words of "Le Misanthrope," "Macbeth," "The Way of the World," "Saint Misanthrope," "Macbeth," "The Way of the World," "Saint Joan"? Surely it is better to hold that drama can, and in fact ought to be, at once the exhibition of a mind in action and the painting of that mind before it is moved to action? The greatest playwriting is probably that in which the spectator is unable to separate the two operations, and that is why in all modern drama "Macbeth" is probably the greatest masterpiece, considered technically. In this play the action never stops; Macbeth pursues his doom or his doom pursues him unremittingly. In "Hamlet" the stream of action is by no means continuous, and we are stayed for a while in first this little backwater and then that, something about the art of acting it may be, or the universality of death. Perhaps Shakespeare was a greater master than we think, and these digressions are not digressions at all. The theme of "Hamlet" being hesitation, the hesitancies, so to speak, become the main current. But Shakespeare was above all laws, whether he current. But Shakespeare was above all laws, whether he knew it or not; what concerns us is to know that no laws are to be deduced from him. It is obvious that lesser men may rightly accomplish two kinds of plays—the play of action and the play of talk. Thus Sir Arthur Pinero in "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" will write a play which is almost without comment save for Cayley Drummle, whose existence proves how very difficult it is to write plays without words. On the other hand, Mr. Show will write plays of or little action that other hand, Mr. Shaw will write plays of so little action that it is scarcely worth while taking the trouble of going to the theatre to see that which, given the words, can be as easily imagined at home. The snag in the matter would seem to be when the playwright who is not a Shakespeare attempts to combine the two genres. If Mr. Harwood's new piece at the Playhouse, "King, Queen, Knave," does not succeed as well as he and we would have liked, it will probably be because he has tried to combine the play of action and the play of talk.

The piece began charmingly. Here was our old friend

the monarch in exile, who was as happy away from his kingdom as the schoolboy away from his school. Divinity doth too much hedge a king. At least, existence on the Riviera as a private person had certain unfettered aspects which were wholly to royal liking. That was the view of Stephan IX of Carmania. His daughter, Princess Narcissa, was not quite so sure about the joys of abdication, and here Mr. Harwood has hit upon a philosophy which has been insufficiently explored. It is all very well for the rich man to say that he would willingly resign the palace for the cottage, and his sceptre for a stout walking-stick with which to plod the country lanes. But only for the same reason that Solomon might have sung the joys of celibacy, an argument without weight to the celibate. He who is most likely to be content with the chimney-corner is the old man who has travelled far afield, and not the young man who has never left it. All this explains the difference in their views between Mr. Harwood's ex-King and his daughter. A rogue of a British financier suggested that he could get Stephan back his throne, and Stephan said, "No, thank you." The same offer being made to the Princess, she said, "Thank you very much." These dynastic matters were discussed in an antique-shop on the Riviera, and among the customers the Princess had made the acquaintance of a charming Scot, as romantic a figure as any to be found in the pages of Quentin

Durward and pining for a lost cause for which to draw the claymore of his ancestors. This scene was wholly charming, as will be gathered from the fact that the principal characters were played by Mr. Edmond Breon, Miss Gladys Cooper and Mr. Leon Quartermaine. Was one a little intrigued by the fact that, whereas Mr. Quartermaine had great a.fficulty with the English, Mr. Breon and Miss Cooper showed no trace of a foreign accent? But this was Ruritanian comedy, one of the laws of which lays it down that whereas the Field-Marshals and Ministers attendant upon Kings and Princesses shall be so guttural as to be hardly understandable, His Majesty This and Her Royal Highness That shall speak the purest accents of Mayfair. The end of the act showed a nice little accents of Mayfair. plot a-brewing. The second act also began well with some excitement and bustle about shipping firearms and getting ready for the invasion of Carmania, a mid-European State which, like Shakespeare's Bohemia, was plentifully supplied with a sea coast. And then the play did not so much go to pieces as become a play of a different kind. For now the Finance Minister of Carmania put in an appearance with proposals to buy off the invaders, and for the next half-hour nothing happened except talk about the obligations of kingship. Most of it was extremely good talk, just as the auctioneer's cackle may very probably have been extremely good cackle. In fact, Mr. Harwood's one mistake was that he had shown us the 'osses and we wanted to see them show off their merits

rather than hear them descanted upon.

In the third act the King disappeared from the play, his place being taken by Carmania's villainous man in possession, a lurid Bolshevist Begey hailing from the Clyde. The scene was a fortress in which Mr. Quartermaine, whose invasion had failed, was immured pending execution. And now the Princess arrived, having made a bargain with the Begey that, if he would let Mr. Quartermaine go, she would give up her claim to the throne. The Bogey accepted, first because he had taken a fancy to his brither Scot and, second, because a Princess who has abdicated is likely to give less trouble than one filling the casinos of the Riviera with nightly protestations to the contrary. After this there was nothing left for Mr. Harwood to do except make his intensely stupid Gael realise that the Princess intended to marry him. In fact, he did not and could not realise it until the Princess categorically told him that henceforth while he was counting their sheep on his native Grampians she should occupy her time by darning their stockings. Miss Cooper said this with the finest tact, averting her face and keeping it steadily in the direction of the palace, for which she had excuse since the jolly old place was on fire. Perhaps criticism of this piece should confine itself to praising the extraordinary skill with which Miss Cooper extricated herself from an almost This talented actress has the gift of authority. That which with merely competent playing would be perilously near nonsense is by her art sublimated into remance, and it is a great tribute to Miss Cooper's acting that she got us through the evening without a titter, and largely through the steadfast-ness of her refusal to demand a tear. I have seen Miss Cooper in many plays and have never seen her given even a mediocre performance. No actress that I know of can so unerringly hit the nail on the head, and it is not her fault if the nail should turn out to be a tin-tack of no great value. She was rendered very loyal and capable support by Messrs. Breon, Quartermaine, Frank Harvey and Frank Cochrane, and if acting can engineer this play to a success, it will. To Mr. Harwood should be given the credit due to any trier. His plays may not always succeed, but he is never disheartened by failure, and one looks forward in a very short time to seeing something from his pen which will exceed expectation by as much as his present piece fell below it. His mind is intensely alive, and those who go to the Playhouse can be certain of finding entertainment, though it may not be of the kind which the play premised them at its start.

George Warrington.

# THE COUNTRY WORLD



THE JUNIOR STEEPLECHASE AT ETON

I N the "House" grind held at Oddington last week the Hon. John Pearson established something of a record by winning the House Challenge Cup for the third year in succession, an event which his father also won in three consecutive years. Lord Cowdray, who is Joint Master of the Cowdray Hounds, was, naturally, keen that his own achievement should be repeated, and both are entitled to congratulations. Mr. Pearson is here seen taking the water on "Mr. Switch," whose part in the event was also not inconsiderable!

SCHOOL JUMP, which is shown in the illustration, is a favourite place for Eton boys to congregate for the slightly ghoulish amusement of watching the competitors in the Steeplechase struggle with their last breath through the black and oozy waters of Jordan. Old Etonians may have been surprised the other day

by seeing it stated in a daily paper that School Jump was 22ft. Wide. It may be a rather exaggerated statement, but there is no doubt that the Jump has grown considerably wider with the years and the floundering of many competitors through it. Those who were at school in the earliest 'nineties will remember with a thrill seeing the Jump cleared by Lambton at Austen Leigh's. In those days the Jump measured only some 19ft. across, and that was a good enough jump in all conscience after an exhausting run



THE HON. JOHN PEARSON ON MR. SWITCH Winning the "House" Challenge Cup for the third year in succession



CAMBRIDGE DEFEATED OXFORD IN THE INTER-VARSITY FENCING The two captains in a preliminary bout: B. R. S. Houghton (Oxford) and R. J. P. Stewart (Cambridge)

with a take-off from broken and muddy ground. To-day it can hardly be cleared, and it might very likely be more profitable to run placidly into it and attempt no jump at all. The other day, in the Junior Steeplechase, one luckless runner came to the Jump with a winning lead, but was so nearly engulfed in it that he was caught and beaten on the post.

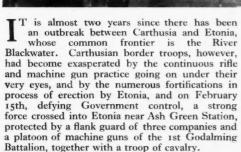
BY defeating Oxford in the annual fencing match at the London Fencing Club last week Cambridge repeated their victory of a year ago. This time, however, they won by a much greater margin, the final score being ten events to three. As last year, they were successful in all four assaults with the sabre, and then went on to win the foil, in which they were defeated a year ago by six assaults to three. The Cambridge team was led by R. J. P. Stewart, an experienced sabreur and last year's winner of the Ridley-Martin Cup. He won both his assaults, but the match in

the Ridley-Martin C u p . He w o n both his assaults, but the match in which he defeated the Oxford captain, B. R. S. Houghton, was very closely fought, his opponent taking him to 4 all before he won the ninth hit. Houghton was the only swordsman in either team to fight both with foil and sabre, and his foil play seemed to have suffered by his having devoted too much time recently to the sabre. Stowe School, which is rapidly making a name for itself as a nursery of fine fencers, was represented by three out of the six foilists.

# THE ETONIA—CARTHUSIA INCIDENT







Battalion, together with a troop of cavalry.

The Etonia frontier guards were compelled to fall back. But a battalion was assembled at Woking







# MYSTERIOUS SHEARWATER

THE NIGHT BIRD WHICH SHUNS THE MOON



"PLOUGHING THE FLOCKS UP": SKOKHOLM IN THE BACKGROUND

ROM the deck of any ship, in any ocean, anywhere beyond the three mile limit, the traveller may see shearwaters. Like gigantic swifts, they skim almost without effort over the waves, their dark upper parts and long, straightly held wings distinguishing them from any other pelagic bird. Almost nothing is known of their habits, their food, their nesting, their wanderings between the Poles.

When, as a boy of sixteen, I first saw our British representative, the Manx shearwater, from the deck of a pleasure steamer off Lundy Island in July, I watched them spellbound. The steamer ran into flocks thinly spread over the fairway, and all the birds were skimming north-

the birds were skimming north-wards low over the waves. I did not guess then that were bound for their breeding grounds on the Pem-brokeshire islands of Skomer and Skokholm. Even now, after and Skokholm. Even how, after four years of studying them on Skokholm, which is honey-combed with bird and rabbit burrows, I am only just beginning to unravel something of their remarkable life history.

It is not definitely known what becomes of the adults and young when they vanish into the ocean at the end of the breeding season in October, but the breeding adults return early in February. They fly in regularly at about two hours after sunset and depart again by 3 a.m. It

and depart again by 3 a.m. It is a preliminary inspection of the nesting hole. The birds are very excited, and utter their unearthly scream, only to be likened to a strangled cock-crow as they arrive. By mid-March they to a strangled cock-crow as they arrive. By mid-March they are abundant, and the assembling of the adults on the sea near the islands is one of the most splendid sights the world of birds can show us.

From their feeding grounds in the Irish Sea, St. George's nnel and probably hundreds of miles south-westwards out Channel in the Atlantic, they gradually converge towards Skomer and Skokholm as the sun sets. They will arrive early, perhaps several hours before sunset if the weather is dull, misty or stormy, but,

if calm and clear, they will arrive barely before sunset. after flock comes sweeping in to the favoured assembly ground in Broad Sound between the islands, until one is left amazed that so many exist. There seem to be a million birds around us. They are uncountable, but reason suggests there cannot be more than a few hundred thousand.

One evening in August Captain H. Morrey Salmon came out with me in my boat, and secured these photographs, which, although they give but a faint idea of the vastness of the flocks, do illustrate well the attitudes and grace of the shearwater's flight. These, I believe, are the first photographs ever taken of

the assembly of the shearwater, if not of any shearwaters at sea, and, considering the diffi-culties at the time of exposure, the failing light, and the tossing of the boat in the strong tide race, they are remarkable indeed. This assembly goes on from March until the end

of August.

There is great activity on dark nights, and great com-petition when, by the middle of March, the majority are occupying their burrows. The rightful tenants, the rabbits, now in the middle of family cares, are turned out wholesale, cares, are turned out wholesale, for they are defenceless before the sharp hooked bill of the shearwater. When, in April, the puffin arrives and demands a share of the underground burrows, competition is excep-

tionally keen. Both birds are ready to fight for possession, and often do so. Nevertheless, it is astonishing how quickly shearwater, puffin and rabbit settle down to their respective affairs and avoid endless conflicts, even though all three may occupy the same intricate labyrinth of a warren. Domestic cares soon

overwhelm party feeling.

I know the shearwaters now as the most strictly nocturnal of all birds when on land. They hold high revel there on dark, moonless or cloudy nights, rain and wind then only completing the conditions they love best, yet night is as day to them if there



THE SHEARWATER AT REST A flashlight photograph, showing natural position of foot



ADULT SHEARWATER WALKING TOWARDS BURROW Showing characteristic shuffling movement



ADULT SHEARWATER EMERGING FROM BURROW



H. Morrey Sal NESTLING SHEARWATER FORTY-ONE DAYS OLD Showing quills well sprouted

is bright moonlight and, acting accordingly, they then leave the islands severely alone. Not even the cares of the incubation and fledging period can induce the birds at sea to return to duty under a bright moon. They abandon family ties with what appears to be sheer callousness.

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By marking a number of nests near my house each year I have been able to keep a record of what has actually happened. Each burrow is traced to the end recess, and a turf cut out over the nest, fitted back in place again, and thereafter used as an observation door. For three seasons now have some of the same pairs, marked with numbered leg-rings, returned to nest in the same holes. Having performed the rites of court-ship, and lined the nest with a little dried grass and bracken stalks, the mated couple settle down to incubate their solitary white egg early in May. Turn and turn about, each sitting for one, two or three days at a stretch, do they commence their unique system of incubation. The sitting bird is visited by its mate at night, but is never fed, rather suffering a seventy-hour fast with ease under the ardour of incubation. Should bright moonlight intervene, then the unfortunate bird on the nest is not even visited, but has to remain over the full moon for as long as it lasts, perhaps for a week in cloudless weather. The longest period of such fasting which I was able to record was twelve days!

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days !

On this occasion I had made some weighings. On the fifth day of fast the bird weighed 16 ozs.; on the tenth, 14½ ozs., thus losing 1½ ozs. in five days. I did not blame this bird when, on the twelfth night, it gave up waiting for its mate and flew off. For one day after, the egg was left cold and deserted, but on the following night the errant partner returned from its long sojourn

to duty and privation. I may add that it was almost fat and weighed 17 ozs., actually 2½ ozs. heavier than its starved mate.

How did I find

How did I find this out? How keep tally of all these comings, goings, these absences? Certainly not by per-sistent all-night watching; that is a dissipation indulged only on special occasions. My time-saving method is to place one or two matchsticks upright in the soil at the the soil at the very entrance to each burrow. Any incoming or outgoing bird brushes them flat, and thus I know what traffic, if any, has taken



A FLASHLIGHT PHOTOGRAPH OF THE MANX SHEARWATER

Almost invariably during incubation the visiting bird picked up my matchsticks and carried them in to decorate the nest, so that I periodically had to retrieve them from the nest-lining!

nest-lining!

It is not altogether surprising, then, that some similar system is followed when the young bird, after an incubation period averaging fifty days, is at last hatched. It is the young bird which has to learn the art of fasting now. Though they brood their new-born downy nestling assiduously for the first few days, interest appears to slacken soon, and irregularity begins; a night comes when the youngster is unvisited. In any case it is left alone by day after the first week of existence, the parents only coming in to give it one

only coming in to give it one big feed at midnight.

The July and August moons, if unobscured, easily persuade the adults to abandon housekeeping pro tem. Despite these frequent fasts, vary from one to five days, varying young one makes steady growth, feathers at six weeks and is full grown at ten weeks. By then its parents have given it up altogether, complete desertion occurring roughly about the

ch by D. Lockley)

Left entirely on its own, fasting in the burrow, content to live on the fat it has accumulated during those earlier and more bountful days. After some six days or so it finally makes a move for freedom. It shuffles along the burrow kneeks my matchestick over and eits meditating outside.

days or so it finally makes a move for freedom. It shuffles along the burrow, knocks my matchstick over and sits meditating outside, leaving a trail of moulted down in its wake. Not at once does it make up its mind to fly away. It returns instead to the burrow and the nest it was born in, coming out for another "vigil" on the next night and for the three or four nights following. Wherever I go at midnight on the island in early September I see these pathetic-looking, hungry, deserted babies sitting at vigil.

The momentous



A sketch showing the unusual position of the egg, between the hocks and beneath the pelvis, when the shearwater is

incubating. (Sketch by D. Lockley)

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"THE SHEARWATER ASSEMBLES EARLY IN STORMY WEATHER"

The momentous night arrives when the fledgling makes off for the sea at last. If it can last. If it can rise up on a stiff breeze it may be safely borne to the sea in a few moments. Other-wise, in calm weather it flutters and scrambles painfully along the rough ground until it reaches the cliffs, over which it precipitates itself into the sea. There it There it Until it is safe. Until it can fly properly and attain that mastery of the air its kind possesses it is perfectly at home in the sea, home in the sea, where it dives freely and obtains the small fry needed to break that last long fast of between eight and sixteen days.

R. M. LOCKLEY.

# THE COUNTIES AND SHIRES GREAT BRITAIN

# KENT

By EDMUND BARBER

O famous Kent, What county hath this isle that can compare with thee? That hath within thyself as much as thou canst wish: Thy rabbits, venison, fruits, thy sorts of fowl and fish As with what strength comports, thy hay, thy corn, thy wood, Nor any thing doth want that anywhere is good! MICHAEL DRAYTON.

LD Michael Drayton would still be right were he here to-day. She has such a wealth of beauty, of history, and of those "fruits and fowl and fish" which so pleased the Elizabethans that he who attempts to write comprehensively of Kent is lost before he begins. Fortunately, there is one saving circumstance; for no one will deny that more of the inhabitants of these islands pass and repass through Kent than go through any other

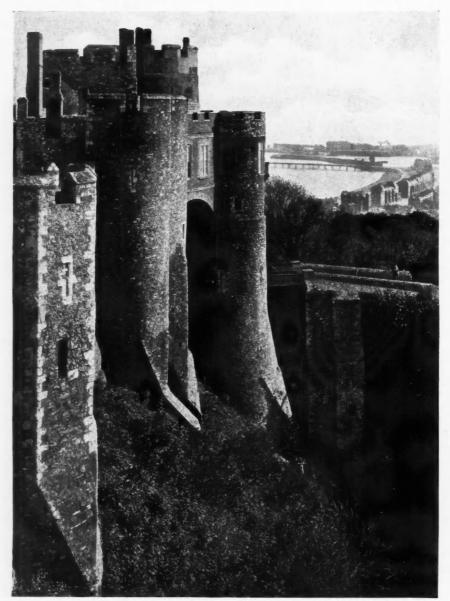
county in England. And unless they have the misfortune county in England. And unless they have the misfortune always to travel by night, even the steamy windows of a boat train cannot conceal from them this county of orchard and park and short-turfed down. For the Garden of England is also the Gate of England, the way into the realm and the way out. One steps from a canal into the heart of Holland. Belgium and France the Englishman, at any rate, approaches through their respective kitchen gardens. But one comes to England, having crossed that silver moat "which serves her in the office of a wall," as to some of the loveliest of her houses, through glade, and

of her houses, through glade and orchard and garden.

One likes to think that this was always so, that when the Romans of the Claudian invasion built their two great lighthouses on Dover cliffs where they could signal to their pharos on the Gallic shore, Kent was still a park-like if not a very formal garden. Much has been written about the wildness and impenetrability of the Weald, and in the Dark Ages it may well have been, like most of England, wild and impenetrable; but place-names are sufficient to show that in Saxon times much of it was cleared and inhabited; and one may, if one likes, believe that, six or seven hundred years before, the legions had found British villages in clearings in the forests or nestling by the side of rivers where their successors nestle now.

If Kent be the Gate of England, Dover is and always was the Key— clavis et repagulum totius regni as Mathew Paris called it; and to-day Dover Castle seems the embodiment of every fortress one has ever read of or heard about. As a mass it reminds one irresistibly of Windsor and Alnwick; but taken in detail and regarded purely as a fortress, it becomes a far more perfect epitome of English history. Cast your mind back two thousand years or so to the time when the first British Navy—the Classis Britannica—guarded the narrow seas, and think of all the alternating periods of peace and war in which

Dover has played her part. Of all these the stones of the Castle tell. But to turn again to the interior of this most characteristic of English counties. Watling Street, the great Roman road which begins in Dover as the London Road and ends in London as the Old Kent Road, will give you to-day, as it has given millions before you, a wide and



THE KEY OF ENGLAND: DOVER CASTLE

"COUNTRY LIFE."



AN ORCHARD IN THE WEALD



H. B. Burdekin

OLD ROMNEY CHURCH ON ROMNEY MARSH

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THE ANCIENT BRIDGE OF AYLESFORD ON THE MEDWAY



KNOLE: THE STONE COURT

"COUNTRY LIFE."



KNOLE: ARCHBISHOP BOURCHIER'S GATEWAY "COUNTRY LIFE.

glorious prospect of the county, and it will take you to the great mediæval cities of Canterbury and Rochester. You will, as you travel on it, remember that up and down its course have passed from the beginning of history armies, monarchs, am-bassadors and merchants, poor pilgrims and the great ones of the earth; all who sought to reach England and the City of London

As for the road which they now call the Pilgrims' Way and which brought West Country pilgrims to the shrine of Becket, it is far older and ran in earlier times from Stonehenge to the sea at Folke-This road to-day is deserted for the most part, but the variety and beauty of its trees give us some idea of what the more densely wooded Weald may have been like in older days. The silver-leaved whitebeam stands out against a dark background of yews, and at the right season of the year you will see masses of hawthorn and wild cherry.

Loveliest of trees the cherry

now
Is hung with bloom along the bough,
And stands about the woodland

ride Wearing white for Easter tide.

To-day the cultivated cherry is more evident in the Weald of Kent than the wild cherry and the whitebeam, and one has only to look down upon the slopes above the Medway between Maidstone and Nettlestead to realise how wonderful, both in their abundance and their beauty, are the orchards and hop gardens of Kent. And this brings us to the

beauty of the villages of Kent. There are dozens of them you could mention, almost unmatched in England. Visit Chiddingstone, for instance, and see the row of half-timbered and gabled houses which face the parish church, with its shaft-like thirteenth century tower. The village of Penshurst has as delightful a group of timbered cottages, and in Ightham the George and Dragon and its neighbours are interesting enough to take one there even though Ightham Mote were not in existence. As for the little villages of Romney, it may be the atmosphere of the Marsh, but they always seem, as they dream in the blue-grey haze, to be as beautiful as their names; and what can be more beautiful than Dymchurch, Stone-cum-Ebony, and Appledore? Kent has no lack of building stone—are not the Roman walls of London and the very Tower itself built of Kentish rag from Allington! and church building began early in the twelfth century. Of her cathedrals who shall speak? It used to be said that only the angels and archangels knew what Canterbury was like. To



GROOMBRIDGE PLACE. ONE OF THE LOVELIEST MANOR HOUSES OF KENT "COUNTRY LIFE."



CODDITION PENSHURST: THE GREAT HALL BUILT IN THE FOURTEENTH CENTURY





THE GATEWAY, IGHTHAM MOTE



Herbert Felton

CANTERBURY

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IN CHIDDINGSTONE

that Heavenly company can now be added, perhaps, the noble army of aviators.

One is always asked of an English county "From what point can one get the loveliest view?"; where, in fact, if you were a German, would you erect one of those dreadful Aussichtstürme? It is a proper matter for discussion, sedate or passionate according to your feelings. Wrotham Hill, with its amazing view of the Downs and the Eastern Weald, has had many supporters, though there are those who vastly prefer the prospect from the Burham Downs which Dickens loved so well. There we have not only the colour of the Weald, with its alternating coppice and pasture and plough-

Belt upon belt, the wooded, dim Blue goodness of the Weald— but the distant downs and hills seem to ring in this delectable enclosure as though to display the silver riband of the Medway which meanders through its midst. For it is surely the north-flowing Medway so different from the south-flowing rivers of Sussex—which makes the Weald of Kent so different from the Weald of Sussex. It is not only a lovely river, but it has a wonderful series of mediæval bridges and a group of great castles which embody in them-selves the history of mediæval England. Of the bridges, Teston, East Farleigh and Aylesford are perhaps the finest; of the castles, Hever, the home of Anne Bullen, is a mere infant beside Allington, which Lord Conway has restored with such skill and care. As for Penshurst, Ben Jonson was as felicitous as ever when he wrote:

Now, Penshurst, they that will proportion thee With other edifices, when they see Those proud ambitious heaps, and nothing else—May say "Their Lords here built; but thy Lord dwells."

To-day Penshurst is even more wonderful than in the days of Jonson and Sidney, an undefended manor house without even a moat, its mixture of stone and red brick now wonderfully weathered by time, it has everything that the older Universities have taught us to expect of the great domestic buildings of their time, and within its lovely casket are contained unimpaired the splendour and the beauties of the ages through which "thy Lord hath dwelt" within its walls. Penshurst, like its neighbour Knole, where Sackville is guardian of priceless treasures, is thrown open to the public, and both Lord Sackville and Lord de L'Isle and Dudley regard themselves to a



A PARGED HOUSE IN CANTERBURY



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KENTISH FARMYARD

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SMALL HOP PICKERS

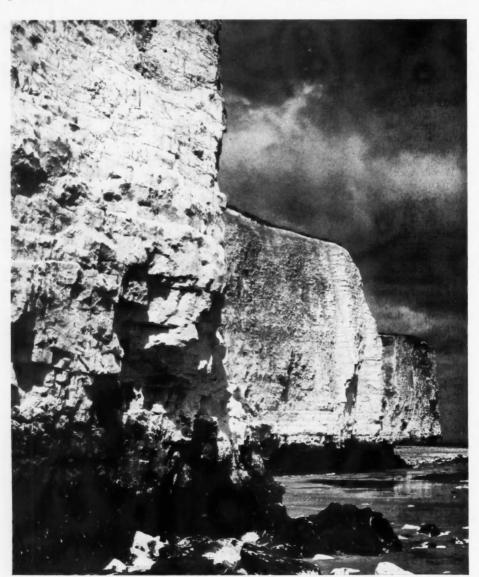
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MEDWAY BARGES AT ROCHESTER

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David Leigh

"BOTANY BAY," NEAR BROADSTAIRS

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great extent as trustees for the country Surely it is monstrous that, where great houses such as these are kept up at private expense practically as museums, showing all that is best in English architecture and priceless in furniture, there should not be full exemption given to them from the present system of estate and death duties.

In the vale of Medway,

too, is that castle of a dream which has the terrestrial name which has the terrestrial name of Leeds, but which, seen from a distance floating amid its lakes, seems surely to be that fairy palace where dreams for ever the enchanted princess awaiting in vain the coming of awaiting in vain the coming of her princely lover. And talk-ing of princesses, was it not at Boxley that Tennyson found the background for his "med-ley"? The "broad ambrosial aisles of lofty limes" are still in Boxley Park, and there, no doubt, if you select your day, you may still see the villagers of Kent make festival: of Kent make festival:

A herd of boys with clamour bowl'd

And stump'd the wicket; babies rolled about

Like tumbled fruit in grass; and men and maids

Arranged a country dance, and flew thro' light

And shadow . . .

Or if not at Boxley, you may find the men and the maids of Kent making merry in many another town and village. No longer is there any feud between Kentishmen and Men of Kent. They are united in their devotion to those Fair Maids who may be seen in all their glory on Ladies' Day in Canter-bury Week. For if the land of Kent does not lend itself too windly to the pursuit of the fox, let there be no mistake about her prowess with the ball and the willow.

But the Vale of Eden and the Vale of Medway are by no means the whole of Kept, and the vale of Kept, and the vale

means the whole of Kent, and means the whole of Kent, and she has other very different prospects to offer us if we will. Other parts of Kent have houses and castles of equal fame. We have not space to deal at length with Chilham Castle on its mound overlock. Castle on its mound overlooking the River Stour, or with Cobham Hall, the seat of the Darnleys. There are those who like your little ports and fishing villages, and some who are happier with the more obvious delights of Folkestone or the Thanet coast than in the eighteenth century seclusion of the Pantiles at Tunbridge Wells, where once, according to Locker.

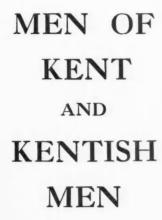
She smiled as she gave him a draught from the springlet,
O Tunbridge, thy waters are bitter, alas!
But love has an ambush in dimple and ringlet;
"Thy health, pretty maiden!" He emptied the class

the glass.

After all, it is still a matter of taste.



THE LORD LIEUTENANT OF KENT The Marquess Camden





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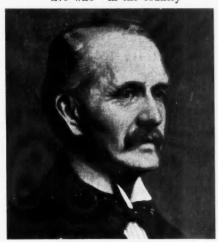
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## "ARABIA FELIX," by BERTRAM THOMAS

REVIEWED BY SIR ARNOLD WILSON



MAHRI TRIBESMAN Note the exquisite ornamentation of his silver dagger



EXORCISM OF THE EVIL EYE IN A COW BY MEANS OF FRANKINCENSE



ANOTHER MAHRI TRIBESMAN His language is not unlikely to be that spoken by the Queen of Sheba

HIS is a very remarkable book, worthy of the fine achievement which it records. It is embellished by more than fifty pages of photographs, which show the author's gift for "composition" and his flair for the delicacies of light and shade, of posture and movement, which are the essence of photographic art. The map, scarcely mentioned in the text, looks much like other maps, but close scrutiny reveals it as a masterly example of the labour of love of the explorer, made with his own hands from his own observations of sun and stars, wells and sands. The appendices are very notable additions to human knowledge: Sir Arthur Keith's discussion of the origins of the hitherto unknown tribes whom Mr. Thomas encountered is both learned and lucid, and finely illustrated. The experts have not said the last word; but the layman, looking at the photographs, will agree that a non-Araborigin is stamped on those fine, masculine features, reminiscent of an Egyptian stele.

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full details of the remarkable collection made by Mr. Thomas at his own cost and presented to the Natural History Museum at South Kensington. His bag comprised a baker's dozen or so of species new to science, including a beautiful new fennec fox, photographed at page 236.

But it is not for these contributions to knowledge, valuable as they are, that this book will be widely bought and eagerly read. The book has other and greater claims on our attention. As "T. E. Lawrence" remarks in a typical foreword: "Here is the compleat Arabian traveller enshrined. Not twice but twenty times his tiniest touches set me remembering that wide land which the compleat Arabian traveller enshrined. Not twice but twenty times his tiniest touches set me remembering that wide land which I liked so much, twenty years ago and hoped never to feel again.

Only by favour of a propitious season could this very rare individual, after infinite tact and preparation, have gambled his life

and won through. Thomas is as fortunate as deserving.

The tale," he adds, "is good enough for the journey, no faint judgment set against what I think the finest thing in Arabian exploration."

It is a tale of great endeavour and high adventure finely told; it is, indeed, fine literature, for it has the rare savour denied, as Saint Beuve has told us, to the studied artistry of the practised writer. Mr. Thomas is sparing of his adjectives, and has a nice appreciation of the cadences of speech and of the value of words. Take, for example, this passage from a description of a slave dance:

Thus she moves; her head motionless, her face turning neither to right nor left, her body moving by some subtle shuffle-step that has the sinuous slide of a skater. Before her leaps an eager youth, in his hand a drawn sword that quivers with a flick of the wrist; now on this side, now on that, now turning about to face her—spellbound he seems, like the moth to the candle. Other male slaves, threes and fours in line, rifles held above their heads, stalk round in the more deliberate measure of the horse-dance and looking straight to their front regardless of beauty.

The long journey of over six hundred miles through totally unknown country, an area as great as France and Germany combined, was described by the *Times* when announcing the accomplishment, less than a year ago, as "one of the greatest exploits of modern times." The great Empty Quarter of Arabia is not, like the Gobi Desert, remote from the streams of commerce, for every traveller to and from India by the Red Sea or the Persian Gulf gazes upon the forbidding edges of this region, which has rever been preserved by any European process for as we know

Gulf gazes upon the forbidding edges of this region, which has never been penetrated by any European, nor, as far as we know, crossed from sea to sea by any Arab.

It is not, like the Polar regions, an uninhabited waste; it holds the secret of mysterious towns, long since swallowed up by devouring sands and a fauna which belongs partly to Asia, partly to Africa. Its inhabitants, hardy, intelligent nomads, living almost wholly on camels' milk, are unsophisticated, but not savages: to the anthropologist, indeed, this book will be of priceless interest, for the practices and belief which Mr. Thomas lays bare are wholly untouched by Western thought and are mainly in the pre-Islamic tradition. Almost every chapter is enlivened by Arab tales or stories of Arab doings, so vividly and, indeed, finely told that we pardon the author for including a number of yarns



QARA TRIBESMEN OF CENTRAL SOUTH ARABIA

TAFA TRIBESMEN OF OUR PROTECTORATE AT ADEN

which, twenty years ago, would have been regarded as inadmissible even in the privacy of the smoking-room. As he remarks (page 117), the conspiracy of silence of European convention was Completely absent, and with it the element of conscious indecency, Bu Zaid would have rejoiced Boccaccio; and Burton, had he been able to gratify his ambition to anticipate, by some fifty years, the author's achievement, would have not made better use, in his edition of the *Arabian Nights*, of the wiles of Arab damsels than has Bertram Thomas.

It is much that his journey has been accomplished in our time and by one so supremely qualified to essay it: it is more that it should have been done by a young Englishman, after five years of careful preparation. But most of all may we be proud that he owed nothing to the Government of India or to the India Office, owed nothing to the Government of India or to the India Office, who have throughout frowned upon the achievement and withheld even the courtesy of formal official recognition—that was left to His Majesty as Patron of the Royal Geographical Society. He owed nothing to the subventions of American millionaires or of learned societies. Alone he did it, at his own cost, in his own way, in his own time, after having for five years, as Wazir to His Highness the Sultan of Muscat, exercised, with entire success, authority such as has been entrusted to no Englishman for a century at least in an independent Muslim State. Such men are century at least in an independent Muslim State. Such men are so rare that they cannot, perhaps, expect contemporary recognition by the official world, but that is no reason why their countrymen should not applaud, respect and honour a man who has added lustre to the English name.

Arabia Felix, by Bertram Thomas. (Jonathan Cape, 258.)

Dickens: An Essay, by Osbert Sitwell. (Chatto and Windus, 2s.) MR. SITWELL'S essay is most refreshing for a particular reason. Here is an essentially modern critic with his head, if one may say so with respect, full of Proust, who yet takes a delightfully "old-fashioned" view of Dickens. Most of the eminent persons who have written on the subject of late years devote themselves chiefly to the great humorous figures that go to make up a kind of Dickens mythology such as, let us say, Mr. Micawber, Mrs. Gamp, Mr. Pecksniff, Mr. Pickwick, Dick Swiveller and perhaps, Mr. Toots. Mr. Sitwell frankly "dislikes" "Pickwick," and seems to be more interested in the passages which are to-day dismissed, often very wrongly, as melodrama. He has, for instance, a hearty relish for the murder of Montague Tigg by Jonas Chuzzlewit, and for the fine ominous scene at the beginning of "Our Mutual Friend" with the "bird of prey" prowling in his boat over the darkening waters of the Pool of London. He has a proper appreciation of Dickens's power of making us feel an atmosphere of haunting fear and coming horror, and, incidentally, this being so, I am a little sorry that he did not put in a word for "Great Expectations" (was there ever a better first scene with the terrible man in grey with the iron round his leg?) and for the sound of the halting step on the Ghost's Walk in "Bleak House." For that matter, he saddens me by bracketing together in one sentence—it must be a monstrous joke—a truly great creature and a tawdry Adelphi villain. He says that Dickens, however much he fatigues us sometimes with his virtuous characters, never drives us into the other camp, so as to make us "pray for the ultimate success of Mr. Pecksniff and the man Monks." Who cares a pin about Monks? On the other hand, many people must have wished that Mr. Pecksniff could have lived happily ever afterwards, deluding pupils, driving his gig and occasionally paying a visit to Todgers's. However, this, as Mr. Guppy would say, is without prejudice. There is much to b Dickens: An Essay, by Osbert Sitwell. (Chatto and Windus, 2s.)

Three Loves, by A. J. Cronin. (Gollancz, 8s. 6d.)

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HUSBAND, son and God: those are Lucy Moore's three successive loves. And, in describing Lucy's life and how each love in turn fails her, Dr. Cronin proves himself to be not simply the writer of one remarkable novel, but a born novelist. In "Hatter's Castle" he enlisted spectacular drama to help him; he even enlisted bistory, and the two events in the book that were bound up with the Tay Bridge disaster were those that bit most terrifically into the imagination. The drive and passion that go to a first novel go to no other; but what an author loses on the swings he should win on the roundabouts, and Dr. Cronin does so. He is surer now of himself and of his own powers, justifiably surer. And so all Lucy's troubles spring not from extraneous events, but from the defects of her qualities: her strong will that makes a tyranny of her affections, her pluck that forces her blindly on to unattainable ends. We see her first as a young woman, a happy wife and mother; we follow her fortunes for twenty years, and in each of the three parts of the book our interest is completely held. Each has its tense, dramatic moment, born legitimately of the interplay of character: the death of Lucy's husband, so horribly due to Lucy's own headstrong act, in the first part; the heartless and yet natural defection of Peter, her son, in the second part; and, at the end, Lucy's revolt against the conventual life in which she has hoped to find peace. In this third part, which presents the greatest difficulties, Dr. Cronin scores his greatest success; by sheer imaginative insight and sympathy he identifies himself, and therefore us, with the stifled convent life into which poor Lucy has hurled herself: the scenes in those tortured months of her life are unforgettable. The whole book achieves that most difficult of tasks: it follows up the "best seller" of a first novel with a second that consolidates the ground won, and, on its own merits, adds to it. Here are the quiet excellences of the lit

THE INCREDIBLE TALE, by Naomi Royde-Smith. THE SINGLE HEART.

The Incredible Tale, by Naomi Royde-Smith. The Single Heart, by Storm Jameson. Leap Before You Look, by Alec Waugh. The Broom Squires, by Eden Philipotts. Love is a Flame, by Mrs. Belloc Lowndes. The Next Generation, by J. D. Beresford. (Benn, 9d. each.)

THE authors who have provided the first half-dozen of these small novels, and are to give us those which are promised, have names that guarantee interest; hundreds of readers, not only those who find the novel of commerce expensive, but those who are delighted to have a small, light book, easy to hold and yet clearly printed and lightly bound, will welcome the series. Where the series threatens to fail is not in its public, but the stories themselves. One or two of the authors of the first six novels seem hampered by the knowledge that their canvas is not so large as that to which they are accustomed; this is true of The Single Heart, Miss Storm Jameson's story of a woman's lifelong devotion to one man and her sacrifice of everything to his interests; it has a hurried air as though she were afraid if she gave herself a moment's breathing space she would reach her word limit before all the unsavoury cetails had been recorded. Mrs. Belloc Lowndes, with more space at her disposal, would, probably, have made her rather ugly story of Wartime intrigues seem less crude; Mr. Alec Waugh's tale, carelessly written and hardly, save for some scenes in the West Indies, above the level of a cheap novelette, is possibly the result of some subconscious contempt of its destiny. Mr. Eden Philipotts has given us the sketch of a play, a brilliantly coloured story of gipsies and Devonshire farming folks, not perfectly worked out but full of good dialogue and excellently arranged scenes. It is interesting to note that in all the three stories first commented on conventional morality is scarcely so much defied as ignored; of the two remaining, Miss Naomi Royde-Smith's might be put into the hands of the youngest young person, but it will be enjoyed by many of her elders. For myself,

A Day's Tale, by Lewis Gibbs. (Dent, 7s. 6d.)

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IT could be argued about most novels that almost inevitably the contacts with other people made by their principal characters are unnaturally few even when the author does not go so far in the way of simplification as one well-known novelist whose heroes seldom have any parents. Mr. Lewis Gibbs, in this almost incredibly good first novel, has abandoned the long, narrow line of interests carried through months and years of the characters' lives, for the tale of a single day's contacts broaden out like ripples when a stone is thrown into the sea. It is something new, as Mr. Gibbs does it, and well worth doing, even though he cannot, in less than three hundred pages, trace the faintest ripple to its end on the farthest shore, which, to abandon simile, would possibly mean including something about every living member of the human race! His principal characters are a pair of pleasant, worthy people, married some years, with a schoolboy son and a neat, small home in the suburbs. The day begins when Mrs. Crompton jumps out of bed on a foggy morning and starts the machinery of the household. We go with Mr. Crompton to his office, with Ron, the boy, to his school; we follow pretty Mrs. Crompton through the events of what, for married life in the suburbs, was a rather eventful day; and all along the way we we headed the events of what, for married lifes. life in the suburbs, was a rather eventful day; and all along the way we rub shoulders with other people and glance into their lives. Tragedy, comedy, hope, fear, disillusion, love, sorrow, all come into A Day's Tale. Altogether a most outstanding book and an absorbing one.

Brenda E. Spender.

Miner, by F. C. Boden. (Dent, 6s.)

MR. BODEN, in this grim but beautiful little book, has, no doubt, to a great extent described his own life as a coal miner at Chesterfield, where he worked from the age of thirteen till twenty-six. He is now twenty-nine, and, having had the good fortune to get his poetry known by some influential people, among them the late Poet Laureate, he has succeeded in escaping from the pit to University College, Exeter. In an introductory poem he describes how, clean and free now from the nightmare of pit and dole—

"Days thou thought'st dead shall be at thee—old pit days and drear figures scrambling,
Fetid, low galleries—the rumble of down-sliding shale;
Darkness and silence; then voices—thick, pain-stricken voices rambling:

Darkness and silence; then voices—thick, pain-stricken voices rambling:

'What hast thou done for us, comrade? Hast spoken? Hast told thou our tale?'"

He has. Simply, restrainedly, but with real power and a poet's sensibility whether for the relatively fair world of to-day, or for the night-mare world below; for poverty and dole-queues, or for a youth's brave love of a sterling girl. Pitiless as is the realism, there is little suggestion of exaggeration, and the book is undoubtedly a work of art. Not a comforting book, nor one relieved by much sense of humour. But one that fills us with respect for those who, at best, eke out a precarious livelihood by courting a ghastly death, and with a longing to up and do something on their behalf. But what? It is that blank query, put repeatedly and with pathetic patience by Danny, the hero, to himself, that adds a sense of hopelessness to the darkness of the pit. C. H.

#### A SELECTION FOR THE LIBRARY LIST.

ARABIA FELIX, by Bertram Thomas (Cape, 25s.); Margaret Outram, by Mary Frances Outram (Murray, 13s.); The Work, Wealth and Happiness of Mankind, by H. G. Wells (Heinemann, 10s. 6d.); Dickens, by Osbert Sitwell (Chatto and Windus, 2s.). Fiction.—Three Loves, by A. J. Cronín (Gollanez, 8s. 6d.); A Day's Tale, by Lewis Gibbs (Dent, 7s. 6d.).

## CORRESPONDENCE

#### "MODERN FARMING ON A GREAT ESTATE"

ESTATE "

TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."

SR.—In your number of two weeks ago you published an account of the Farleigh Farms. I should like to take this opportunity of correcting a small error in your statement of ploughing costs. The figures given are field working costs to show what the variations can be. They do not include depreciation, interest or repairs of a major extent. It will take some years to obtain truly accurate figures for these. I should not, therefore, wish to be the unwitting years to obtain truly accurate figures for these. I should not, therefore, wish to be the unwitting means of misleading any of your readers, as no one knows better than myself how difficult it is to obtain truly accurate results.—Lymington.

#### ANOTHER OLD PONY

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TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."

SIR,—Having read with great interest the correspondence in Country Life concerning the age to which ponies live, I enclose two photographs of my pony, Spot, born in 1900, which, unfortunately, had to be painlessly destroyed last week.

She really has been a wonderful pony, and, needless to say, we are very grieved to lose her.—C. A. Bellamy.

#### HOMING FLIGHTS WITH HOUSE MARTINS

MARTINS

TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."

SIR,—Last year and the year before I made a trial flight with a house martin, which was quite satisfactory from every point.

House martins have used my old cowshed for a large number of years. They come to it on their arrival from elsewhere. Each bird seems to know its own old nest, for I think the old birds know their old "clay biggin." The old nests are never demolished, but I always have them cleaned out after the breeding season is over. It is amusing to see them on their arrival at the old cowshed home. They filter and squabble a deal among themselves, for they never come singly. They appear to me to have paired just as soon as they arrived here from their long flight.

The martin selected for the test had just finished laying its usual number of eggs, but a day extra was allowed before trapping her for the test. The reason for this was, we thought, the maternal instinct would be then stronger, which I think is really the case. A friend, who is more of a naturalist than





"I HAVE BEEN YOUNG AND NOW AM OLD"

I am, betted that once the house martin was captured it would forsake the newly made home, and more so if it were sent a distance out of the country. I declared that, should I despatch the bird immediately after capture and send it by special messenger, the bird would return unharmed in less than one half-hour after heing released though the distance.

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The bird was trapped in the nest and placed in a suitable box and sent by messenger, who travelled by 'bus. On reaching its destination the bird was allowed its full freedom, and off it went. It reached the nest in twenty-five minutes from the time when released.

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We knew it was the same bird, for we had it ringed by a green rubber band placed round its leg.

We are now convinced the house martin can outstrip the ordinary homing pigeon in coming straight home from an unknown territory.—A. A. F. MacLennan.

#### LAMPS ON THE DANUBE

TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE." TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."

SIR,—You have lately published some very striking pictures of flood lighting. May I send you a photograph to show what ordinary lighting can achieve? This is a view of the Danube at Budapest, taken from the Buda Hills. In the evening the banks of the river blaze with the light of thousands of lamps as the people swarm down to the famous Corso.—

J. D.

#### THE COURAGE OF THE SHREW

TO THE EDITOR. TO THE EDITOR.

SIR,—We have been much annoyed by the destruction of bulbs and seeds in our garden by field mice. However, the arrival of a halffield mice. However, the arrival of a half-grown long-haired cat did a lot of good. This cat would spend hours hunting field mice in the garden, and killed a great number. One day last week it was busy hunting on a sunny bank when I heard a frantic squeaking and hurried over to make the cat kill the mouse, when, to my surprise, I saw that it was a shrew. It was just outside a tiny hole and was squeaking loudly, was squeaking loudly, while making dashes at the cat, whi h, however, did not attempt to kill the tiny animal, but only sniffed at it from a safe distance. I was much amused at such a much amused at such a wee creature standing up to the cat, and watched the affair. Suddenly the shrew sprang straight at the cat's throat and apparently fixed its teeth into the cat, or else

hung on to the fur. It clung there for a few minutes while the cat, thoroughly alarmed, sprang up into the air, making wild efforts to dislodge its small antagonist. Finally, the shrew let go its hold and once more gained its hole, down which it disappeared, still squeaking. I examined the cat, but could not find any trace of a bite, but probably this would not be easy to find, as the cat has extremely thick and long hair, especially around the neck, its ruff being very well grown. Is it usual for the shrew to be so pugnacious and to attack an animal many times larger than itself?—Phillippa Francklyn.

## HOW TO DRINK CHAMPAGNE

TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."

SIR,—Contrary to general belief, champagne is a drink not for London, but the country.

To drink it in perfection is a whole-day job: one that starts about 10.45 a.m. and requires a special costume: boots, breeches, a complicated neckerchief and a red or black

coat.

Other requisites are a couple of horses, fifteen or twenty couple of hounds, with their attendants, part of a grass country, and two straight-necked foxes.

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From the activities so occasioned return too late for tea to a darkened house in which, but for many servants, you live quite alone.

Resist the temptation to brace yourself with whisky for the final effort of pulling off your boots.

your boots.

Resist the still stronger call to taste the bottle of champagne, which you must place in the refrigerator before going to your bath. If your bath, with one of Surtees' books (in a cheap edition, because of the steam), takes an hour, the wine will be at exactly the right temperature when you come to drink the first, and best, glass in a dressing-gown and towel. In silk shirt, velvet suit and slippers you will have time and taste for a second glass before dinner is announced.

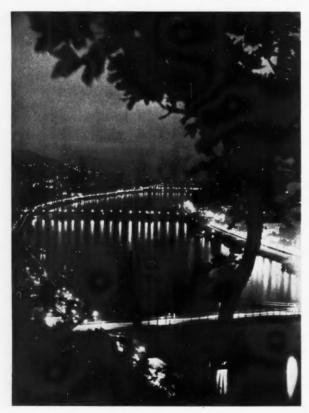
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Do not destroy your appetite with soup. Drink the third glass when you have finished a fried sole. The fourth glass will be needed after the partidge, so at this point send for the half-bottle you put into the refrigerator in reserve. You will need it: one glass with the savoury omelette and one with the thoughts that follow coffee—unless you mean to drink liqueur brandy, which would be a very grave mistake,—A. E. HUTCHINSON.

"AN EARLY NINETEENTH
CENTURY JOKE"
TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."
SIR,—I have read the letter under this title in your issue of January 23rd. In this (Woodbridge) district the author of the catch phrases;

"You made a great mulberry
You sent in my bilberry
Before it was dueberry
You must be a gooseberry
I don't care a strawberry"

etc., ad lib.— is supposed to be Edward Fitzgerald, the author of Omar, who lodged over Berry's the gunsmith's on the Market Hill, Woodbridge, in the early 'seventies. Anyway, he paid Berry bills. Soon after this he bought the Little Grange, Woodbridge, kept doves there, had a builder named Dove to make alterations, and said "I am fond of the cooing of the dove, but I do not admire his billing," when the account was rendered.— H. HIGHLANDS.



THE LIGHTS OF BUDAPEST

AN EARLY WILLOW WREN
TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."
SIR,—On the morning of February roth we experienced a spell of wild wintry weather which included a rather severe blizzard, on the approach of which the various birds in my immediate vicinity disappeared as if by magic. The Arctic conditions continued, and during the day I was compelled to visit our chalk quarry, where I discovered the clefts and crannies on the sheltered side of the cliff to be tenanted by various kinds of our resident birds, the blackbirds and thrushes especially bearing traces of their dislike for the wintry conditions prevailing.

On my return to the crest of the quarry there was a temporary lull in the weather, the sun breaking through, and I had scarcely turned round to take a final view when a tiny bird emerged from the overhanging herbage and settled on a wire fence a few feet distant in my full view.

Instantly what scenes flashed back to memory—it was a willow wren laces.

Instantly what scenes flashed back to memory—it was a willow wren!—Geo. J. Scholey.

#### IS IT A MOULDIWARP?

TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."
SIR,—This photograph is of a bench end in the old church at Great Walsingham, a



A BENCH END AT GREAT WALSINGHAM

mile or more from the famous Little Walsingham in Norfolk.

The church is in a terrible state of decay, but this is a great advantage in that the bench ends have not been, "restored." The animal by its great feet, seems to be some relation to a mole or "mouldiwarp." All the seats and bench ends are in a singular ash brown oak, betokening great age, and many are hopelessly broken and worm eaten.—F. J. ERSKINE.

GREY OWL AND HIS FRIENDS
TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."

SIR,—A friend of mine in Canada has just sent me a letter about Grey Owl together with two photographs. He did not know that you had just published Grey Owl's book, The Men of the Last Frontier, and I think you may like to see what he says about him.

"At Riding Mountain, Manitoba, there lived an Indian, by name Grey Owl, who had devoted nearly every moment of his life there to the care of the 'Little People,' as the beavers are affectionately called, protecting them in every possible way. So tame had they become that they would come at his call or whistle, accepting the morsels of food he offered them with relish.

"The Canadian Government have now moved him to Prince Albert National Park, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, where he has been given a sort of official position as 'Guardian-in-Chief-to-the-Beavers.'

"Grey Owl and his wife Gertie lived right up in the bush, and during a visit there, for the express purpose of meeting



GREY OWL, HIS DAUGHTER THEIR BEAVER FRIEND AND

the Indians, Mr. Lloyd Roberts of Ottawa was able to get in close touch with them, actu-ally staying in their lodge, and witnessing the sweet intimacy that



CHOCOLATES FOR JELLY-ROLL

the water in some mysterious way, known only to him and the beavers, having swum some considerable distance in order to keep tryst with this Indian brother.—A. E. W.

SPRING'S AWAKENING
TO THE EDITOR OF "COUNTRY LIFE."

SIR,—I saw your delig'tful photographs of snowdrops in last week's issue and so send you this illustration of a January snowdrop carpet in the woodland at Springwood Park Kelso, the home of Sir George Douglas Ir furnishes another example of the remarkable precocity of the season. Mild days and a high barometer have urged such an early awakening that the thrill of anticipation has been quickly followed by the joy of the ripe maturity.—T.



SNOWDROPS IN A KELSO WOODLAND

## AMERICAN OWNERS and the GRAND NATIONAL

THE ILL-LUCK OF MR. J. H. WHITNEY



THE NATIONAL TRIAL STEEPLECHASE AT GATWICK. WING-COMMANDER W. R. READ'S THE BLACK FELLOW, FIRST; VINICOLE, SECOND; AND ALIKE THIRD

NE can feel sorry for the young American, Mr. J. H. Whitney, that his horse, Sir Lindsay, who held an undeniably fine chance of winning the forthcoming Grand National, should have badly broken down in a steeplechase at Newbury last week. It is most unlikely that he will ever be seen on a racecourse again, so serious is the

injury to tendon and joint of the off hind leg.

The odd thing is that he was regarded as being an exceptionally sound horse, and I feel certain that he was better this season than ever before. Remembering his good fight of two years ago, than ever before. Remembering his good fight of two years ago, when he came to the last fence with a very live chance and then finished close up third to Shaun Goilin and Melleray's Belle, he must have played a big part next month. I thought he was coming up to the leaders to settle them and win the Newbury affair when he came by the leg injury which caused him to drop back at once. Yet he jumped the last two fences, but as if something was wrong. We knew all there was to know on seeing him

affair when he came by the leg injury which caused him to drop back at once. Yet he jumped the last two fences, but as if something was wrong. We knew all there was to know on seeing him limp back to the Paddock.

Sir Lindsay did not really have a steeplechasing pedigree. He was by Roi Hérode from Polynettta. The sire gave us The Tetrarch and the prominent line of fast grey horses he has started. Polynetta, as the name suggests, was by Polymelus from a St. Simon mare. It is breeding of the best, such as you seldom find in the pedigree of jumping blood. Gregalach is by My Prince; and Grakle, like Brown Jack, who was a high-class hurdler before he was a high-class stayer on the flat, is by Jackdaw. But, after all, prominent steeplechasers must be judged on actual performances, and there is no doubt Sir Lindsay was a good horse.

I believe his owner, Mr. "Jock" Whitney, is due to arrive here from America this week, and if this should catch his eye he will know I sympathise with his perfectly rotten luck where his efforts to win the Grand National are concerned. He has another horse that survives to run for him in the Grand National—Dusty Foot. Do not be surprised if he should fill the vacancy surprisingly well. With the position changed through the misfortunes of Sir Lindsay, the understudy, who had looked to have a big chance of winning the National Hunt Steeplechase as Sir Lindsay had done before him at Cheltenham, may now be reserved for the Grand National Lindsay had done before him at Cheltenham, may now be reserved for the Grand National.

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I think it was the success of Sergeant Murphy, then owned by the young American, Mr. Stephen Sanford, that kindled American interest in our Grand National. He planned to win further triumphs and paid big sums for Mount Etna and Bright Boy. They failed him. Other Americans came into the field, and one of them, Mr. Schwartz, was successful at his first venture. His winner was Jack Horner. By this time there was a distinct competition among themselves, which was good for our trade in steeplechasers and for international interest in the greatest of all steeplechases.

steeplechases.

Mr. Whitney, who had inherited a big fortune, came on the scene as the purchaser of Easter Hero. Though he was a brilliant horse, I shall always think the big fences and the distance of four and a half miles were too much for him, bearing in mind the big burden of 12st. 7lb. always allotted him. There was the occasion when, in that great field of sixty-six three years ago, he was second in heavy going to Gregalach, who had only 11st. 4lb. I think that was the best thing he ever did, although I do not subscribe to the view that he would have won but for spreading a plate

about two fences from the finish. A year later Easter Hero fell lame after winning the Gold Cup at Cheltenham.

One is inclined to say now that the highest honours, if such they be, were denied to the most brilliant horse of his day over fences, that Sir Lindsay has been unlucky in being stopped through lameness from winning a Grand National at a time when his powers were never so assertive, and that, as the owner of these two horses, Mr. Whitney has been shunned by good fortune. However, what about Dusty Foot as a likely outsider for the Grand National?

The Nawhyry race, in which Sir Lindsay crecked up was

The Newbury race, in which Sir Lindsay cracked up, was won by Theras with Ottawa second. Both horses had run indifferently before, and they will be found in the Grand National entry. I understand they can be regarded as certain runners. I cannot say anything more for them than is conveyed by their form. Possibly I have a preference for Ottawa, but I simply do not understand his poor showing some time before at Lingfield

I saw Gregalach out the same afternoon in a two-mile affair I saw Gregalach out the same afternoon in a two-mile affair at Newbury. As it was a handicap he had, of course, a big weight, but lots of people thought he would win. However, he is a queer individual. After setting a good gallop and jumping perfectly, he quietly dropped out because his jockey realised he could not keep it up. I do not despair of him at Liverpool. He is such a fine jumper, and jumping is the prime essential to the winning of a Grand National. Away from Liverpool it can be said for him that he runs his best race when first produced after a considerable absence. He has lost admirers of late, but he remains a sound proposition for Liverpool if only because his record there is notable.

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Grakle made many new friends when he won over three miles early in the week at Birmingham. A trainer friend, who has a horse in the Grand National that will run well, professes to be unafraid of last year's winner. Referring to that win at Birmingham he said the horse only beat a lot of "rubbish" that would not have been seen had they taken part in the Open Hunters' Amateur Riders' Chase at Newbury on the second day of that meeting. of that meeting.

Yet an outstanding horse will race right away from bad Yet an outstanding horse will race right away from bad ones. Grakle did that and could not have done more. Now that Sir Lindsay has dropped out and Gregalach's case shows some weakness, Grakle looks like starting a short-priced favourite. That is the position at the moment. It may be influenced by what happens at Cheltenham next week, while Remus, his owner tells me, is to run at Sandown Park in the week before the Grand National National.

If The Black Fellow were in the Grand National he would command at least my respect. I have now seen him win two long-distance 'chases, one at Sandown Park and the other as recently as last week-end at Gatwick. It is possible he would not have won had not that well known horse, Kingsford, fallen three fences from home, but then these things must always be probthree fences from home, but then these things must always be problematical. Here is a horse that would have been much esteemed only it happens that he is not in the big affair on the 18th of next month. Taking the second to him at Gatwick, Vinicole, as the next "best thing" of these Gatwick performers, we are left with one that is sure to give a good account of himself at Liverpool. I like this horse more every time I see him.

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#### DUALITY MILK

HE importance of richness in milk has attracted consider-

HE importance of richness in milk has attracted considerable attention in recent years. Milk is being sold in increasing quantities in bottles, and the existence of a marked cream line on the milk is generally regarded as a point to be closely studied. This serves to explain the growing popularity of the Channel Island breeds, for, added to the large percentage of fat, there is an associated deepness of colour which imparts a rich appearance to the milk.

There is, however, considerable room for improvement in the fat percentages of many of our breeds and too little attention is paid to this point in selective breeding. There has been too much attention paid to high yields without observing the reaction of these on quality. A striking illustration of a progressive improvement in the quality of a high-yielding breed is afforded by the Friesian breed of cattle. This breed is acknowledged to be the heaviest milk-yielding breed in the country, but it suffered greatly by reason of milk which approached too near the legal minimum of 3 per cent. of butter fat to make breeders feel at ease. During the past ten or fifteen years considerable work has been done by Friesian breeders to increase the butter-fat percentages by careful and controlled breeding. As a result of the careful breeding which constructive breeders have pursued, it is now possible to find Friesian herds testing in the region of 4 per cent. of butter fat. There is a growing evidence that the performances of other breeds in this direction will have to be

suspicious sign and further steps must be taken to ascertain the cause of the clots.

Milk from cows affected with this trouble in the active form must not be used for human consumption in its raw state. has been known to be a cause of sore throats in human beings.

THE TILLERING OF CEREAL CROPS

It is well known that cereal crops have the capacity for sending up more than one shoot per root. This capacity is variable, however, depending partly upon the habits of the variety and partly on the management meted out to the crop. So far as wheat is concerned, the encouragement of early tillering is desirable. Recent research has indicated that tillers are best formed towards the end of March, since those which are in evidence at this time the end of March, since those which are in evidence at this time usually give rise to ears which bear grain at harvest. If the tillers are formed at a later stage, there is a tendency for the late-formed shoots to die back in June and July. The judicious use of nitrogenous manures may influence the tillering, and hence the yield of crop. This has for long been recognised in ordinary practice, since top-dressing wheat in spring is commonly followed. Usually this is given in a single application, and the effects have been such as to bring about an increase in crop yield simply by increasing the weight and the size of the ears. It is now suggested, however, that the efficiency of nitrogenous top-dressing will be increased if the nitrogen is applied in at least two dressings. Thus



A HERD OF FRIESIANS

In the past few years much success has attended breeders' efforts to increase the butter-fat percentage of the Friesians

watched closely and more regular use made of butter-fat tests as part of a breeding policy. Even dairy shorthorn breeders are not free from criticism in this connection.

Redigree stock-breeding in this country is entering on a new phase in its history. It has been long recognised that the success of our livestock industry has in the main been built up because breeders have recognised the fundamental principles of the laws of breeding. Breeders have created an ideal in their minds and have sought to fashion their animals to their ideal. Animals, however, are not as clay in the hands of the potter. They inherit the possibilities of perfection according to the standard of the breeder. Like tends to beget like, and one cannot hope for a good son from a bad sire in the world of livestock production. All this is common knowledge, but it is widely felt that breeding is still too much of a gamble and that the time has arrived when breeding should be on a more constructive basis. In this sense the standard of perfection will not be the eye of the In this sense the standard of perfection will not be the eye of the judge, but the attainment of those commercial qualities to meet the needs of modern markets and farming conditions. This selection must study such points as conformation to economic needs, as, for example, early maturity with a quality of acceptable flesh, hardiness and high fertility or fecundity. In this new phase breeders will be guided more by the finished commercial product of their art than by their own ideas of perfection.

## **MASTITIS**

Among the many diseases which cause considerable loss to dairy farmers mastitis is one of the most formidable. The contagious and serious form is due to an organism, viz., Streptococcus pyogenes. The disease is detected by a swollen, inflamed and tender udder, a decreased milk yield, while the milk itself is altered in composition and appearance. Once it appears in is altered in composition and appearance. Once it appears in a herd it is liable to be spread very rapidly from one cow to another, usually by the agency of the milker's hands or on the teat cups of a milking machine. Great care, therefore, is always necessary to guard against this particular trouble. One of the best means of controlling this trouble is to draw the fore-milk before milking starts on to a black-coloured plate. The presence of slight clots in such first drawn milk must always be regarded as a

an early application of nitrogen will tend to stimulate ear formation, while the second dressing will increase size of ear. Some recent work in Italy has also indicated that the application of frequent small dressings of nitrogen from the time the crop is sown have a beneficial effect on yield.

sown have a beneficial effect on yield.

With spring oats tillering properties may have a pronounced bearing on the yield of crop. Varieties with profuse tillering powers are particularly suitable for late districts. Investigation reveals that only a small proportion of the side tillers bear grain in this case, but they serve a useful purpose in helping to build up a more vigorous rooting system and therefore enabling the grain-bearing stems to secure the benefit. Again, if thinning of the crop occurs through any cause, the side tillers can take the place of the destroyed main tillers.

## THE INFLUENCE OF PREVIOUS CROPPING

For a long time it has been recognised that crops make varying demands on the fertility of the soil. Some crops are regarded as exhausting and others are calculated to restore fertility. The appearance of the succeeding crop is usually a fairly sound guide, and in the course of time it has become possible to identify the and in the course of time it has become possible to identify the crops which have these differing effects. Thus potatoes are generally regarded as tending to leave land in a less fertile state than swedes or sugar beet. This invariably means that, in the compiling of tenant-right valuations, there is no residual manurial value allowed when the land has been cropped with potatoes. It has been similarly observed that kale and cabbage are more exhausting than swedes and mangolds, and for this reason have sometimes been condemned. In relation to these points, however, it is desirable to recognise that where the crop is found to be particularly exhausting to available plant foods provision can be made to counter these effects by suitable manuring. Thus a cereal crop taken after potatoes will respond to nitrogenous top-dressing and the allowance can be on a more generous scale than after the other root crops. It is not always an advantage top-dressing and the allowance can be on a more generous scale than after the other root crops. It is not always an advantage to secure a heavy cereal crop, especially if this is acting as a nurse crop for young grass and clover seeds. Thus in Scotland, grass and clover mown for hay invariably give a heavier crop after potatoes than after turnips, since the smaller nurse crop gives the seeds a better chance of becoming established.



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Chiddingstone was composed of two manors originally, one Chiddingstone Cobham and the other Chiddingstone Burghersh. The Cobham section was sold in the thirty-eighth year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, by Lord Burgh to Richard Streatfeild. The Burghersh section, formerly called also Burwash Court, came into the possession of the Streatfeilds. As a village there are few places so full of ancient peace and charm as Chiddingstone, which contains a wealth of timbered dwellings. The place takes its name from a huge boulder in the park. The explanation of this stone being where it now reposes is clear to the geologist, but local tradition invests it with a Druidical where it now reposes is clear to the geologist, but local tradition invests it with a Druidical interest, though it cannot have come to its present site by human agency, as did the monoliths of Stonehenge.

### MAIDEN ERLEGH SOLD

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MAIDEN ERLEGH, Reading, the seat of the late Mr. S. B. Joel, has been sold, with 125 acres, by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley and Messrs. Simmons and Sons to Captain T. S. Waterlow Fox for use as a boys' school.

The beauty of Chillingham Castle is revealed in illustrated particulars just issued by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley, who are to let the Castle for the Earl of Tankerville. This Border stronghold, between Alnwick and Berwick-on-Tweed, has a history which may be traced back to Plantagenet times, and in its park roam the famous herd of wild white cattle often and doubtfully reputed to be the descendants of the aurochs or white Scottish bison. The drive flanks the wall of the ancient tournament ground, and at the Castle may be seen a dungeon having a trap door through which captives were thrown.

Shobrooke Park, near Exeter, the seat of Sir John F. Shelley, Bt., is to be let by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley, with shooting over 1,208 acres and a mile of trout ishing in the Creedy.

Swythewood, Horsted Keynes, 47 acres, is to be offered by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley for Mr. Hugh D. Glyn.

Jointly, Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley, with Messrs. Chesterton and Sons, announce the disposal of Kensington House, Kensington Gardens.

A MAYFAIR OFFER

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LADY GERTRUDE DUNN has directed Messrs. Ralph Pay and Taylor to offer for sale privately No. 44, Charles Street, on the south side, close to Berkeley Square, a

modern red brick residence. The house has thirteen bedrooms and four bathrooms, house has thi teen bedrooms and four bathrooms, and is adapted for entertaining and replete with labour -saving devices. The reception rooms include a double drawing-room and a dining-room panelled from floor to ceiling in walnut, from which access is obtained to an oak-panelled library with Tudor fireplace, and leaded lattice casement windows and beamed ceiling typical of a period room in a country house. The property has been the subject of many thousands of pounds' expenditure in matters of decoration and in the marble and other bathrooms. The firm is also to sell a fine residence in Park Street, Grosvenor Square, for executors.

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Major R. G. O'Callaghan has ordered Messrs. Whiteman and Co. to sell the old English and other furniture in Hangmoor, Virginia Water, on March 8th, and following days. The house and land will be sold on March 22nd March 22nd.

## TWO CHOICE HOUSES

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MONTROSE HOUSE, Petersham, a red brick house dating from 1760, contains many panelled rooms and a staircase of much architectural merit. Additions and improvements have been made at great cost by Mr. Philip Carr, who has instructed Messrs. George Trollope and Sons to sell the property. A tree in the grounds is associated with the memory of Captain Vancouver, the famous seeker of the North-west Passage, who died in 1798, and is buried in Petersham Church-yard, a place, therefore, of American and Canadian pilgrimages.

No. 35. Hyde Park Gate, an unrestricted freehold, is for sale by Messrs. George Trollope and Sons, by order of Sir Edgar Horne, who, as Chairman of the Prudential Assurance Company, Limited, probably controls more real estate than any other man in England. He has spent a large sum on improving the house, and it has a large proportion of bathrooms, central heating, parquet floors, lavatory basins with hot and cold water in all the bedrooms, and a roof garden. A tenancy on lease might be granted.

## SIR WILLIAM ORPEN'S STUDIO

THE late Sir William Orpen's studio is for sale by Messrs. Hampton and Sons next month. The South Bolton Gardens (Kensington) property has a green pantile roof and spacious forecourt with lawn and fountain. ton) property and tourtain. The galleried studio, approximately 44ft. by 30ft., covers the whole first floor. Between the two north windows of the studio is a plaque that "Sir Hugh Lane Kt. 1876-1915, Director of the National Gallery of Ireland, lived here."

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A freehold, Regent House, Park Road, Surbiton, which is interesting to builders and speculators, will be offered by Messrs. Hampton and Sons at St. James's Square on March 15th. The property is opposite the Surbiton Tennis Club and has an area of 6½ acres with frontage of 54oft. The mansion contains eighteen lofty rooms and a studio 50ft. by 33ft.

We are able to announce that Messrs. John D. Wood and Co. have been appointed sole agents by Lady Jane Lindsay for the sale of Thorney House, Smith Square, Westminster,

a corner house and one of the nicest in this a corner nouse and one of the nicest in this favourite square. In conjunction with Messrs. Adkin, Belcher and Bowen they have also instructions from Lady Jane Lindsay to dispose of her riverside residence, Burcote Grange, near Abingdon.

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Great Hayes, Headley Heath, a very fine example of modern architecture, in a beautiful position 650ft. above sea level, is for sale by Messrs. John D. Wood and Co., who are offering Westfield Place, Battle, 530 acres.

#### SPORTING AND FORESTRY

THE Duke of Northumberland is said to be in negotiation for the sale of 50 000 acres of the Kielder estate, on the North Tyne, to the Government for afforestation.

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The sporting and residential estate of Killiechassie, in the picturesque district of Strathtay and close to Aberfeldy, is for sale by Messrs. Walker, Fraser and Steele. The area of the estate is 1,670 acres, of which 1,155 acres are hill grazing or rough pasture, 80 acres woodland and 340 acres arable or grass park; there are four farms and a number of crofts. Killiechassie House is a Highland residence. The lands provide a good variety of sport, the moor, which lies between the grouse moors of Cluny and Castle Menzies, yielding from 200 to 300 brace of grouse. Included in the sale is the right of salmon and trout fishing in the Tay for two miles. Loch Glassie intersects the moor. Messrs. Walker, Fraser and Steele are offering Killiechassie by private treaty, Messrs. Woodcock and Son being joint agents.

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Kentish farming and sporting land, 690 acres, at Wrotham, near Sevenoaks, will be sold in Maidstone on March 17th, by Messrs. Dann and Lucas, by order of the executors of the late Sir Philip H. Waterlow, Bt. The shooting is in hand, and there is a good head of game.

There was a recent announcement of the sale, 300 acres of parkland and woods, of Nyn Park, the property of the late Commander Glen Kidston. The rest of the estate, about 325 acres, is to be offered by Messrs. Clark and Manfield for sale in about 125 lots. This sale will open up for building purposes a beautiful part of Hertfordshire, fifteen miles from Marble Arch and five miles from Barnet and Hatfield, and Cuffley Station is a mile from the eastern boundary. is a mile from the eastern boundary.

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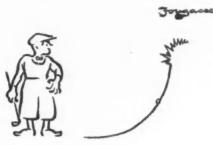
It was lately hinted that Frampton Court, near Dorchester, had been sold for the purpose of a school, but now the old mansion may follow the fate of so many other country houses and be demolished within the next few weeks unless someone comes along and buys it quickly. In addition to the main block there are extensive buildings on three sides, the whole forming a hollow square with a large courtyard and fountain in the centre. Frampton Court was the Dorsetshire home of the Sheridan family for many generations, and when the furniture was sold by Messrs. Fox and Sons in November there were items which originally belonged to Richard Brinsley Sheridan, the dramatist. Messrs. Fox and Sons recently sold the 6,700 acres of farms.

Messrs. Hankinson and Son report sales of land in Parkstone, and many houses in Bournemouth and district, for a total of £50,000.

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## THE INDUSTRIES OF KENT



ORCHARDS AND OAST-HOUSES: The cultivation of cherries and hops are two of the oldest of Kent's industries

HERE was a time, not so very long ago, when the southern counties prided themselves on possessing only one industry. That was the age-long industry of agriculture, pursued from year to year, day in and day out, in a steady, leisurely, undisturbed round. Those who would make their fortunes quickly went north to the Black Countries to establish their factories. The men of the south, like Virgil's happy farmers, kept to their old livelihoods and were content with modest gains.

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Kent to-day is still first and foremost an agricultural county. Wheat growing, dairy farming and the cultivation of fruit and hops are still her principal industries. But since the War changes have been slowly but surely taking place, and, as London has attracted more and more industries to her outskirts, Kent has shared with the other home counties the responsibility of providing the necessary sites. At the same time the Kentish coalfields, the existence of which had been known long previously, have begun to be developed on an extensive scale, and, in spite of the depression which has affected the mining industry generally, their working has been proved both profitable and economic, while the nearness of London has provided a cheap and readily accessible market. accessible market.

The manufactures of the county are for the most part confined to certain clearly marked areas. The south bank of the Thames from Erith eastwards is the oldest established industrial region owing to the excellent facilities afforded for rail and water transport. Here have grown up many shipbuilding, engineering and chemical works; while among more recent developments is the important cement-making industry which occupies a great extent of the river frontage between Long Reach and Northfleet. The presence of the works, with their great chimneys rising up from the mud flats of the Thames estuary, has given a new beauty to that desolate region east of Woolwich. At Dartford one of the earliest paper mills in England was established as long ago as the reign of Queen Elizabeth; to-day the neighbourhood of Dartford is one of the most important centres of the papermaking industry in the country.

Next to the Thames the Medway estuary claims second importance as an industrial area, and this region is likely to develop considerably in the near future. The excellent communications available by road, rail or river, and the nearness of the Kent coalfields, make towns like Rochester and Maidstone ideal for the establishment of factories. Apart from the inthe important cement-making industry which occupies a great

lishment of factories. Apart from the in-dustries connected with the Government establishments at Chatham and Sheerness, establishments at Chatham and Sheerness, the chief manufacture along the banks of the lower Medway is again cement making. Bricks, tiles and pottery are also manufactured in the Medway valley, and there are several important paper mills.

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The Kentish coalfield, the newest industrial area, is confined to a triangular strip of country in the south-east corner of the county. The district in which coal can be economically worked runs inland from south of Ramsgate to a point near Canterbury and thence southwards to the coast near Folkestone. Among the villages in this area, which are gradually changing their character, are Eythorne, Eastry, Nonington and Elvington. The last is now a township with over two

hundred houses, and it is proposed that it shall be developed into a model industrial town, to form the capital of the colliery district. The South-east Kent Industrial Development Committee, in association with the Tilmanstone Colliery, has been mittee, in association with the Tilmanstone Colliery, has been drawing up plans for a systematic and coherent policy of expansion. The scheme makes provision for organised zoning of industries and residential quarters, and factory sites are classified under "offensive," "semi-offensive" and "nonoffensive" industries. The prospects for a planned area of interdependent industries are exceptionally attractive, and when the scheme has had time to materialise south-east Kent should provide a startling contrast to the older industrial regions haphazardly developed in the bad days of laissez-faire.

Along with the coalfields Kent possesses considerable iron deposits, which are likely to become of increasing importance. Iron-smelting in the Weald was one of the most flourishing of

Iron-smelting in the Weald was one of the most flourishing of Kentish industries in days gone by until the drain on the timber used for fuelling the furnaces led to the passing of Acts restricting the amount of felling. The statute of 1558 forbade any felling the amount of felling. The statute of 1558 forbade any felling of timber for iron-smelting purposes within fourteen miles of the coast, and from that time onwards the industry steadily declined. To-day iron-working is chiefly carried on by the local forges and smithies, many of which, since the advent of motor transport, have made up their loss of custom by adopting a "side-line." In the last few years a considerable local trade has been built up in the forging of wrought-iron gates, firedogs, fire backets, etc.

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The richness of Kent in natural deposits suggests that the county may expect a considerable industrial expansion in the future, a prospect which may not be regarded as an unmixed blessing by those who have been born and bred in "the garden of England." But as has already been mentioned, the chief manufactures are confined at present to three or four well marked areas and there seems no reason why they should develop in areas, and there seems no reason why they should develop in other parts. Kent, indeed, is too valuable an agricultural county, even in times of depression; and now that a comprehensive agricultural policy is at last promised, there is every likelihood that the orchards and hopfields and arable lands of the county will once again bring prosperity to the

farmers.

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In almost any imaginary picture we make of a Kentish landscape there are at least two essential features in the scene—an orchard in its full springtime glory and a group of oasthouses with their conical roofs and strange wooden cowls. Indeed, cherries or hops might be taken by Kentishmen as their county's emblem, if one were needed, although it would require a great deal of deliberation to decide require a great deal of deliberation to decide which of the two it should be, for both industries have a long history behind them. Cherries, it is said, were imported from Flanders and first planted in Kent by Henry VIII. From his time onwards fruits of all kinds have been cultivated, but it is her cherry orchards for which Kent is famous. The light soils overlying the chalk, which is found over so large a part of the county, is ideal for cherry-growing. It is the practice to allow grass to grow in the orchards, which is grazed by sheep, so that the trees benefit by the heavy natural manure. Hops also require dry, well drained soils with a loam



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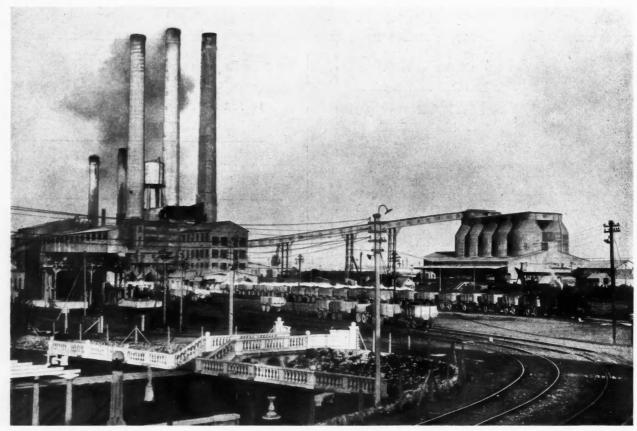
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covering such as the chalk regions of Kent supply to perfection—and the hop harvest at the beginning of September, when the pickers arrived in trainloads from the East End of London, used to be one of the picturesque events of the year.

In any account of Kentish fruit farming mention must be made of the splendid work carried out by the Horticultural Research Station at East Malling. The station, which is placed in the heart of the chief fruit-growing district, the Medway valleys, was established in 1912; it now has extensive laboratories and over a hundred acres of land. Pomology, hop culture and plant pests have been the principal subjects of study and the results of researches in these departments are known all over the world.

In addition to its orchards and hopfields, Kent also has a

reputation as a corn-growing county, although the acreage of arable land has decreased considerably of recent years. In the vicinity of London market gardening is practised on an extensive scale, while the nursery gardens of Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells are famous. Nor should one forget what has supplied Kent with the oldest of all her industries—the Whitstable "native," whose qualities were known and appreciated even in Roman times. A.S.O.

## HERE AND THERE IN KENT

Kentish Ironwork.—One of the lesser industries of Kent which has seen a remarkable revival of recent years has been that of wrought and beaten ironwork. Messrs. Hyder and Sons, The Old Forge Ironworks, Plaxtol, Sevenoaks, are specialists in ancient and modern ironwork and were responsible for the attractive hand-wrought door-knocker illustrated on page xxviii.

Antique Fireplace Furniture.—At one time every cottage and farmhouse in the Kent and Sussex Weald had its open stone fireplace with the charming wrought-iron firebacks and fire dogs now so eagerly collected. Original examples are now difficult to come by, but excellent reproductions can be obtained. Messrs. Charles Wayte and Cheverton, at the Old Wealden Ironworks, Edenbridge, specialise in antique reproductions of fireplace furniture.

Fencing for the Farm or Park.—The Reliant Fencing Company, Hildenborough Station, near Tonbridge, are manufacturers of cleft wood and wire fencing, gates, etc. Chespale fencing, the first to be manufactured in England, is made by Cardon and Co., Limited, Penshurst Station.

Nursery Gardens.—To gardenes of Messrs P. W. Welless and Co.

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Nursery Gardens.—To gardeners few nurseries are better known than those of Messrs. R. W. Wallace and Co., Limited, at Tunbridge Wells. Since its inception in the late 'seventies it is a nursery firm that has been especially interested in new and rare plants, and those who have visited the "Old Gardens" in June, which is the time to see them at their best, will know something of the riches of the plant collection. In the early days the late Dr. Alexander Wallace specialised in lilies and other rare bulbs, and the interest in this charming race has been well maintained under the able guidance of Mr. R. W. Wallace. More recently Mr. Wallace has taken up the cultivation of flowering trees and shrubs, and particularly rhododendrons and azaleas. It is natural to expect in a county renowned for its fruit that one of the leading nurseries specialising in fruit trees should be found within its borders. Established over a hundred and thirty years ago, Messrs. George Bunyard and Co., The Royal Nurseries, Maidstone, have long been recognised as one of the best fruit tree nurserymen in the country. Recently they have greatly extended their interests.

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#### TESTED-XXX: THE 15-18 LANCHESTER CARS NEW

HE new 15-18 Lanchester is one of the most interesting cars that has been produced during the past few years. It combines a thoroughly sound engine and chassis lay-out, with the combined self-changing pre-selective gear box and fluid flywheel as fitted to the Daimler models.

the Daimler models.

It is now over thirty-five years since Mr. F. W. Lanchester produced his first cars, and the firm generally has been associated with the largest and most luxurious cars. The Lanchester "40" has been well known for many years and another recent introduction was the straight-

eight.

The introduction of the 15–18 model represents a departure from the old policy, as it was thought that at the present time there was abundant evidence of a demand there was abundant evidence of a demand from a large and increasing section of the motoring public for a car which, while being of moderate size and initial cost and economical to run, should at the same time contain all the virtues of the larger and more expensive vehicles which the firm manufactured in the past.

The combination of the fluid flywheel with the pre-selective gear box makes the

with the pre-selective gear box makes the car extremely easy to control and, in fact, it is so easy to drive as to be practically foolproof.

#### THE PERFORMANCE

The design of the engine is extremely neat. The overhead valves are operated by rockers and push rods from a six-bearing chain-driven camshaft in the sump.

A special cam design is used to ensure

A special can design is used to ensure quiet running, while the cylinders and upper half of the crank case are cast in one block. The detachable cylinder head carries the valves and the rocker gear. The oil sump valves and the rocker gear. The oil sump is made of aluminium and is easily detach-

able.

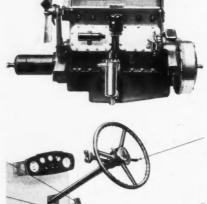
The crank shaft is carried in seven bearings and the connecting rods are of "I" section, with fully floating gudgeon pins, while aluminium alloy pistons are

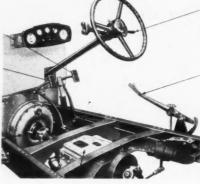
The lubrication is of the full pressure type, while the gear type oil pump is driven in tandem with the ignition distributor from a skew gear on the camshaft. The camshaft runs in an oil bath.

The camshaft runs
The separate
inlet and exhaust
manifolds are on
the off side of the
engine, while a hot
spot is provided.
The coil
ignition has an
automatic advance,
but there is also

but there is also a hand control in steering column.
The cooling water
is circulated by a
which is the centre of the pump, which is driven in tandem with the fan by a belt. A thermometer is provided on the instrument on the instrument panel.

A mechanical pump driven by the engine draws





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the fuel from the tank at the rear, which has a capacity of 15 gallons. There is the fuel from the tank at the rear, which has a capacity of 15 gallons. There is also a gauge on the instrument panel.

The most interesting part of the car is the fluid flywheel and the pre-selective

gear box.

The control for the gears is mounted

on the steering column beneath the steering

wheel. The final drive is through an open propeller shaft to an underslung worm.

The operation of the gears is simplicity itself. The clutch pedal is only used for actually changing the gears after they have been pre-selected, and is not used at all for stopping and starting, as the fluid flywheel takes charge of these manœuvres.

To start the car it is only necessary to pre-select either first or second gear with the lever at the side of the steering column. Press the clutch pedal and release column. column. Press the clutch pedal and release it, and then simply let the car glide away by depressing the accelerator pedal. To stop the car simply release the accelerator pedal and depress the brake. Any gear can be pre-selected at any time, and it is possible to go straight from top to second or any other gear.

possible to go straight from top to second or any other gear.

The fluid flywheel itself has only two moving parts, and is entirely automatic in action. In addition, the engine can be used as a brake in the ordinary way.

On the top gear, which has a ratio of 4.85 to 1, a genuine 70 m.p.h. could be reached. On this gear I found that 10 to 20 m.p.h. required just under 5secs.; 10 to 30 m.p.h. required 10secs.; 10 to 40 m.p.h. required just under 18secs.; and 10 to 60 m.p.h. erquired 35secs. erquired 35secs.

If the gears were used, a considerable improvement could be made on these figures, as on the third gear, with a ratio of 7.16 to 1, 50 m.p.h. could be reached.

The gears were absolutely silent in operation, and a very pleasing feature of the car was the silence with which it would car was the silence with which it would glide along. In London the excellent acceleration which could be obtained by a proper use of the gears was a great advantage, and, in fact, in getting away from a traffic stop this was most marked, and one was able to get away with ease from much larger cars.

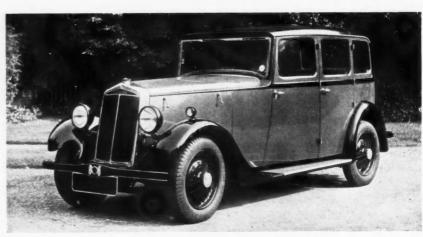
The brakes are extremely good, and the system adopted is original, as it embodies the Lockheed hydraulic system in conjunction with a Dewandre servo motor. The foot

with a Dewandre servo motor. The foot brake is, therefore, extremely sensitive and very light in action, and I found it possible to stop the car in 17ft. from 20 m.p.h. The pull-on hand lever is merely intended for parking purposes, and operates an internal expanding brake on the transmission behind the gear box.

#### THE ROAD HOLDING

This is exceptionally good for a car of this type. The engine has been mounted very far forward so as to give exceptional body space, but this appears to have no effect on the road worthi-ness of the car, which behaves in an exemplary man-ner at all speeds.

Long semielliptic springs are used for both axles, and these are damped by hydraulic shock absorbers. The



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spring track is exceptionally wide so as to eliminate roll on corners.

The steering gear is of the cam and lever type, and is extremely pleasant at all speeds. The rake of the column can be adjusted to suit various types of coachwork. The steering lock is also extremely good, so that the car can be manœuvred in a small space, while this also makes it very much more pleasant to drive in London traffic.

#### GENERAL POINTS OF DESIGN

The frame appears to be extremely rigid, though at the same time light in weight, as the performance proves. The front end of the chassis is partly braced by the engine and there is an absence of

the usual protruding dumbirons.

All the controls are placed conveniently. In the centre of the steering wheel are the mixture and throttle lever, with the supple mentary ignition advance retard control right in the centre. A bracket similar to that fitted to Daimlers carries the two horn buttons beneath the steering wheel and the dipping control for the head lamps.

Lubrication of the chassis has been minimised by the use of roller bearings, the few remaining parts being supplied with accessible push-on nipples.

#### COACHWORK

The standard saloon is exceptionally roomy and comfortable. Owing to the

THE FORD



THE NEW ROVER ULTIMAX SPORTS SALOON

special design of the chassis, with the engine and radiator mounted well forward, an exceptional amount of body space is provided. From the dash to the rear axle over seven feet is available as body

space.

The front seats are adjustable throughout, and the interior fittings are very complete. The upholstery is in either leather or cloth, and alternative colour schemes are available.

## EXHIBITION

Chassis and engines are shown in sections, while in the gallery photographs and scale models of the Dagenham works are now on view.

THE Ford Motor Exhibition, which opened at the Albert Hall last week, remains open until Saturday. For the first time the little 8 h.p. Ford is on view, and the price of the two-door saloon is announced at £120. The price of the other models has not yet been fixed.

Certain modifications are, however, to be made to the models which are on exhibition. The coachwork is to be widened by 2ins., and there is a special rubber mounting for the steering. The brake drums will be cast and not pressed.

The wheelbase of the car is 7ft. 6ins., American influence.

The wheelbase of the car is 7ft. 6ins., and the engine has a bore of 2.23ins., with a stroke of 3.64ins., giving it a capacity of almost exactly 950 c.c. The car will be made entirely at the new works at Dagenham.

Many Ford dealers ran special excursions by road and rail for their friends and customers, and the Exhibition has undoubtedly aroused a great deal of

interest. The whole of the amphitheatre has been most attractively decorated, and there is a full range of Ford vehicles on view of every type, and there are also examples of specially designed bodywork for special trades.

In the gallery is a cinema which gives a continuous programme of Ford films

The little Ford—which is, of course, the principal exhibit—gives very little appearance of having had a Transatlantic origin or of having been affected by

The bonnet is of quite imposing appearance, but the engine inside is diminutive. The whole engine unit is suspended on rubber mountings; while an excellent feature, and unusual for engines of such small dimensions, is that the crank

shaft runs in three bearings.

Ignition is by coil from a six-volt lighting and starting set. An ingenious system of mounting the battery is employed as it is fixed on the dash beside the petrol tank. Though this position is extremely neat, it is, to say the least of it, rather a bold policy to place the battery so close to the fuel tank, and many people would prefer this tank to be at the rear.

A down-draught carburettor is fitted;

while the oil is forced to the big ends under

Another outstanding feature is the gear box, which is of the synchro-mesh type which obviates gear clashing. This system is now fitted to quite a number of cars, and I have described it before in these columns. The principle is to ensure that the two pinions shall be travelling at approximately the same speed when they are engaged, and so making gear changing remarkably easy. The clutch is of conventional single plate design. are engaged, and so making gear changing remarkably easy. The clutch is of con-ventional single-plate design.

The four-wheel brakes operate on brake drums of large diameter which will

brake drums of large diameter which will be modified as stated above.

Transverse springing, so beloved by Ford, has been retained all round; while shock absorbers are fitted to both axles.

The bodywork has excellent lines, though more room will be allowed when the extra width has been adopted. Two though more room will be allowed when the extra width has been adopted. Two doors only are provided, and the front seats are hinged so as to admit passengers to the back seats. This system has been largely abandoned by the makers of European small cars; but to offset this the window space is very large, and, indeed, the visibility from all seats should be excellent excellent.

The upholstery is good, while a large range of colour schemes is shown at the Albert Hall. With its price fixed at £120, the car will enter a highly competitive market, but should be able to give a good account of itself.

## THE SINGER NINE SALOON

YET another addition to the really small car range is announced by Singers. This is the new nine, which has a four-cylinder engine with a bore of 60mm. and a stroke of 86mm., giving it a capacity of 972 c.c. The engine has a detachable head and is taxed at £9; while the horse-power developed is high, being

Overhead valves are operated by overnead valves are operated by rockers from an overhead cam shaft, the valve gear being totally enclosed. The cam shaft is chain driven from an intermediate shaft, and this shaft, in its turn, is chain driven from the crank shaft. This charalso drives the dynamo and distributor. This chain

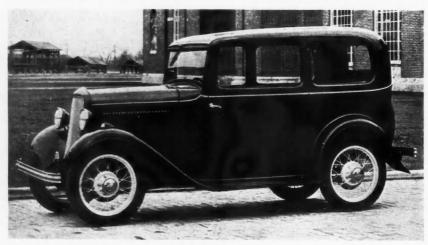
A full-pressure lubrication system is employed and the oil is delivered by a gear-type pump. A filter and oil pressure control valve are included in the system, and there is and there is a pressure gauge on the instrument panel.

The ignition is by coil and distributor, the advance being automatic; while the carburettor is of the horizontal Solex selfstarter type.

The cooling is by thermo-syphon system and a single dry-plate clutch is

fitted.

The gear box is interesting, as it The gear box is interesting, as it incorporates a silent third, giving four ratios. The top gear ratio is 5.25 to 1, the third being 8.35 to 1, second 12.08 to 1, and first 21.41 to 1. The propeller shaft is of the open type fitted with fabric joints at each end.



THE NEW 8-H.P. FORD SALOON



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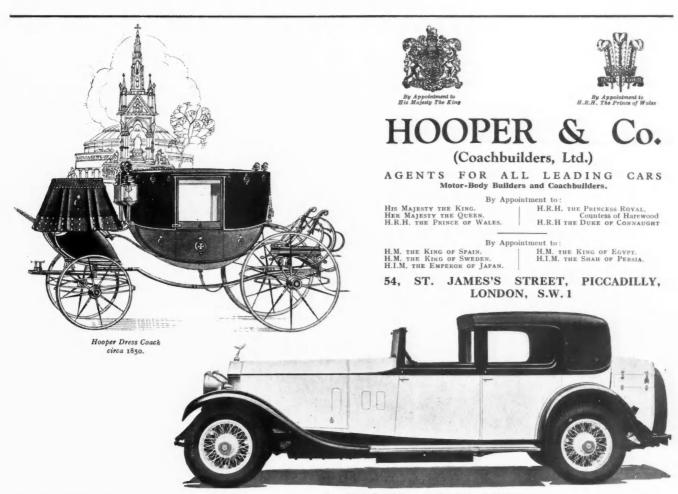
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The brakes on all four wheels The brakes on all four wheels operate in large drums and can be applied either by the pedal or the hand lever. They work through rods. The frame is of sturdy construction and is braced at frequent intervals.

The petrol tank is mounted at the rear outside the body, and is of 6½ gallons capacity. An Autovac is used to draw the fuel Autovac is used to draw the fuel up from this tank to the engine, and there is an electric petrol gauge on the instrument panel.

Bumpers are fitted at front and rear, and there is a folding type luggage grid.

A great deal of trouble has

been taken over the coachwork. This is entirely aluminium panelled and genuinely coachbuilt and, for a car of this size, provides a Manager of the Napier Company at the date of its inception in July, 1913, and ultimately Chair-man and Managing Director in April, 1931.

## FOG DRIVING

THOUGH it may be said that the modern car has defeated the treacherous weather of these islands in most respects, and that the owner-driver can keep snug and warm and can drive with comparative ease no matter the weather conditions outside, yet in one respect very little advance has been made since the first car

came on the roads.

Fog is still a terror to motor-

Fog is still a terror to motorists, whether commercial or private, and very little has been done to tackle the problem seriously.

Unfortunately, the modern saloon car, though improved in all other respects as far as combating weather conditions is concerned, is contained in containing the containing of the containin is getting, if anything, more and more difficult to drive in fog.

Nothing, for instance, can be worse than the modern single-piece wind screen that does not, in many cases, open fully and



THE DUKE OF BUCCLEUCH WITH HIS DAUGHTER, LADY ANGELA SCOTT, FOLLOWING THE BUCCLEUCH HUNT IN A CITROEN CATERPILLAR CAR

great deal of room. Access to the interior is by four wide doors; Access to while special webbing alongside the doors makes the car draught-An interior ventilation ystem ensures the freshness of the atmosphere.

The equipment is very com-plete and includes a sliding roof, Triplex glass to all windows and real leather upholstery.

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give the driver an unobstructed view of the road. In foggy weather wind screens always get dirty and damp, and, owing to insufficient moisture such as that provided by heavy rain, the wind-screen wipers cannot clean them properly.

No doubt the ideal vehicle for driving in fog would have the driver sitting high up between his lamps; but the driving position is getting lower and lower and making things more and more difficult.

Fog lamps mounted low down are, of course, excellent, but they do not by any means completely solve the problem.

It seems probable that the Ministry of Transport and our road authorities might be able to help greatly with light-painted kerbs marked with the official road number at intervals. The North Road for instance, would be Road, for instance, would be marked A.I, its official Ministry of Transport designation, by either posts or letters marked on the kerb, so that in a fog the driver would know where he was and not wander off into some side road by mistake.

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#### LEARNING TO FLY

By MAJOR OLIVER STEWART

OME idea of the working of the different aeroplane controls and of how they should be manipulated was given in the two previous articles in this series. The next step will be to consider the actual take-off from the aerodrome

drome.

Let it be assumed that the pilot has taken his place and that the engine is running. The first step is to determine exactly what is the direction of the wind; for the take-off will be made into wind. In light breezes it is possible, but never advisable, to take off down-wind; but in strong winds it is impossible. The pupil should concentrate on taking off always exactly into wind.

exactly into wind.

He will therefore note the wind direction by closely observing the wind sleeve, and will then taxi out to the extreme leeward edge of the aerodrome. Taxying is done by using the engine enough to move the machine over the ground, but not to give it flying speed.

#### TAKING OFF

After taxying to the extreme leeward edge of the aerodrome, the pilot turns his aircraft to face into the wind's eye. Then he will himself turn round in his cockpit and carefully scrutinise the sky behind and above him for any other aircraft which may be about to land. This final scrutiny of the sky is of the utmost importance for the avoidance of collision risks, and should be drilled into the pupil's mind from the start.

After satisfying himself that all is clear, the pilot opens the engine throttle and at the same time pushes the control stick forward in order to lift the tail of his machine. The aim is to make the

Stick positions Correct take off. Tail well up.

Incorrect take off. Machine pulled off with tail down

machine run along the ground with its fuselage about horizontal until it gains full flying speed.

The novice's chief difficulty at this The novice's chief difficulty at this stage is to keep the aircraft straight, which he does by means of the rudder bar as already explained. He "aims" his machine at some point at the far side of the aerodrome; it may be a gap in the hedge or a mark on the ground, and directly it starts to deviate from a straight course he applies correction with his feet to the rudder bar. applies cor rudder bar.

#### THE FINAL STAGE

The pilot holds the machine on its straight course with the tail up while it runs over the ground on its undercarriage wheels, gathering speed. The throttle is fully open and is kept open all the time. The pilot is concentrating on the ground ahead, usually looking over the left side of the cockpit and steering the machine and holding the tail up with the control stick.

After the speed has increased beyond a certain point the elevator begins to take more and more effect. If then the stick were still held fully forward, as it was at the beginning of the take-off run, the tail of the machine would tend to rise still farther and the result might be that the aircraft's nose would dig into the ground and it would turn over. To avoid this the pilot eases the stick back as the speed increases until the stick reaches the central position and the aircraft is running over the ground with its fuselage about horizontal. Both stick and rudder bars are now about cen-tral, and the machine is running over the ground straight and

level.
The next and last

step in the take-off is when the pilot, very gently, eases the stick back a little and so lifts the wheels of the machine off the grass. It is essential that this movement be delayed until ample

that this movement be delayed until ample speed has been gained. If this is done too soon the result depicted in the diagram of the incorrect take-off will occur.

That is, the machine will rise without sufficient speed and will then tend to drop again to the ground, the nose still pointing upwards. Nothing serious will happen, but the machine will bump on the ground again and will take much farther before it actually flies.

The take-off may be summarised as a short run along the ground with the aeroplane level and straight until flying speed, or the speed at which the weight is transferred from the wheels to the wings, is attained. The business of the pilot is to get his machine level as quickly as possible and then to hold it level while the engine and airscrew do the acceleration.

Pupils should guard against trying to "pull" the aircraft off the ground, but should rather let it take itself off, which the wind's eye for the take-off, for, in any other position, the wind hindrance instead of a help. becomes

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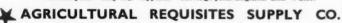
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NTIL the coming of railways Folkestone, now the aristocrat of English seaside resorts, was a place of little importance and merely a small fishing town. It is true that it was known centuries ago, when a Saxon princess, whose name is still commemorated in the Church of SS. Mary and Eanswith, founded a monastery where the lower town now stands, but this was destroyed in part by the Danes and in part destroyed in part by the Danes and in part by coast erosion. In the days of sailing vessels, cross-Channel traffic was monopolised by Dover and Brighton; but on the introduction of the new era of steam a new cross-Channel service was inaugurated with Boulogne, and this since its inception has become of enormous importance, for the London-Paris route is shorter by twenty-eight miles via Folkestone than via Dover and Calais, although the actual sea trip eight miles via Folkestone than via Dover and Calais, although the actual sea trip is somewhat longer. During the Great War over nine million British officers and men embarked or landed at Folkestone Harbour, and since the War the way down from the cliffs to the harbour has been known as the Road of Remembrance.

#### CHARLES DICKENS AND FOLKESTONE

One of the greatest admirers of Folkestone was the great Charles Dickens, who often stayed at the Pavilion Hotel, and there is some reason for believing that he there is some reason for believing that he wrote parts of Little Dorrit and David Copperfield when staying there. In Household Words, in an article entitled "Pavilionstone," he wrote: "This is one of the prettiest watering-places on the South Coast. The situation is delightful, the air is delicious, and the breezy hills and downs carpeted with wild thyme and decorated with millions of wild flowers are, on the faith of a pe-

faith of a pedestrian, perfect. You can sit at your open window on the cliff overhanging the sea beach and have the sky and the ocean as it were framed before you like beautiful picture, but with such movements in it, such changes of light upon the sails of ships and wake of steamers, such fresh touches on the wave tops as they break and roll toward you, a picture with such music in the billowy rush of the of the shingle, such charm of sight

and sound as all the galleries upon earth can but poorly suggest. If, therefore, you want to come out of town and live a life of repose and see it lived, or to breathe sweet air which will send you to sleep at a moment's notice at any period of the day or night, or to disport yourself upon the sea or to scamper about this part of Kent or to come out of town for any of these pleasures, come here." This is high praise indeed, but not one whit undeserved, for, besides its admirable coast situation, Folkestone most delightfully placed on the landward side, having a range of high chalk downs lying some two miles back from the town and effectually screening it from the cold north winds.

#### THE LEAS AND THE WARREN

The glory of Folkestone is undoubtedly the Leas, which form one of the finest marine parades in the world. The name probably refers to the original use of the land on the edge of the cliffs as common or "leas." It is a magnificent promenade 200ft. above sea level, overlooked by terraces, crescents and squares of dignified mansions and between the wide roadway and the cliff edge are wide grassy walks. From this wonderful stretch of level ground From this wonderful stretch of level ground glorious views of the busiest part of the Channel—the Straits of Dover—can be enjoyed, the white cliffs of France showing up clearly in fine weather. As in many other coastal resorts, music forms a great factor in Folkestone's life. There are two bandstands on the Leas, and in the face of the cliff is the Leas Cliff Hall, built five years ago, of which the chief feature is a magnificent concert hall with seating accompanying the concert hall with a concert hall with a concert hall with a conc magnificent concert hall with seating accom-modation for 1,500 people. Beneath the modation for 1,500 people. Beneath the Leas, with which it ranks in beauty and charm, is the wooded Undercliff. Sloping

paths and stepped paths lead down through pines and shrubs to the beach. However scorching the sun on the ground above, shade and shelter are always to be found shade and shelter are always to be found below. Another great attraction at Folkestone is the Warren, a beautiful chine, where masses of chalk have been hurled down the cliff from time to time and have become covered with undergrowth and grass. In the face of the cliffs are many reputed smugglers' caves and many rare plants, flowers and butterflies are to be found in this pleasant playground. One most enthusiastic visitor to the Warren was William Pitt, who exclaimed, when viewing the seascape from its centre, that he had never seen anywhere its centre, that he had never seen anywhere a more striking view except in the Bay of Naples. Some ten years ago the Corpora-tion took over the Warren from the Earl of Radnor, whose family has done as much for Folkestone as has that of the Duke of Devonshire for Eastbourne.

#### TRAVEL NOTES

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FOLKESTONE is fortunate in possessing an excellent train service to Town, and express trains cover the seventy-two miles from Cannon Street in 80mins. The arterial road from London to Folkestone has been widened throughout its entire length, and by-passes have been constructed at Eltham, Sidcup, Farningham, Wrotham, Lenham and Charing, thus avoiding the congestion of traffic which was formerly unavoidable in the narrow streets of these villages.

From April to October the Southern Railway issues seven-day season tickets covering the whole district round and about Folkestone, including Dover, Deal, Ramsgate, Margate, Canterbury, etc.

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AMONG the finest peonies in cultivation are two species from the Caucasus. One of these is the splendid P. Mlokosievitschii, and the other P. Wittmanniana. Both are singularly bold and ample in foliage, and both have yellow-toned flowers. The owner of the impossible name is still rare, though not unobtainable; but the other, if not common, is in more general cultivation. Further, as it can be secured at quite a moderate price, it is more likely to make a greater appeal, and it is a plant that can be recommended for any average conditions. conditions.

P. Wittmanniana stands about

P. Wittmanniana stands about two feet high and spreads rather more than its stature. Growth appears early in spring, but the plant is so hardy that I have never known it to be injured at that season, so long as reasonable care as regards shelter from cutting winds is exercised. The glossy pale green leaves consist of a few leaflets each as large as one's hand, and the flowers are borne just above the foliage in early summer. These blossoms, globular in shape and nearly six inches across, are a curiously luminous shade of citron yellow mellowed by a touch of ivory, and the handsome boss of golden stamens within gives them a most striking lamp-like glow. In autumn the gaping seed vessels gleam with rows of highly glossed seeds, the fertile ones being jet black, the merely ornamental, scarlet. In any free loam it will carry on indefinitely and flower with unfailing regularity. Its stout, upright growths need no staking and I do not find that this, or the rival species, needs heavy manuring. manuring.



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auch for its clumps much for its clumps of grassy foliage as its refined flowers of pale lemony yellow. In company with such charming neighbours as the purple and gold I. chrysographes, the bluey-purple I. Bulleyana, the various forms of I. sibirica, and the handsome Japanese I. Kæmpferi, it will afford the most attractive display at the water edge. T.

#### THE PRUNING OF ROADSIDE TREES

IF we may judge from the numer-ous indications ous indicat ous indications vouchsafed to us, the pruning of street, roadside and park trees is a much vexed question. Whenever and wherever it is practised it seldom fails to arouse a storm of arouse a storm of hostile criticism that

in many cases is quite unjustified, and arises largely from lack of knowledge of the needs of street trees. In this connection the publication of a small pamphlet by the Roads Beautifying Association, whose technical committee has already rendered much valuable service to public bodies on questions of roadside planting and the treatment of street trees, entitled Advice on the Pruning of Roadside and Street Trees (price 1s.), is timely and should do much to remove a great deal of the misconception that exists regarding the necessity for the pruning of trees in public places. It is an admirable essay on pruning, clearly and concisely written, that should be of immense service to public authorities who have charge of trees byfurnishing them with sound practical knowledge and by defending them from ill-judged criticism. It is essential that the care and maintenance of trees in public places, and the prepared to remove old and decaying trees and replace with healthy and vigorous young stock. It is futile to concentrate on preserving old and decaying trees and replace with healthy and vigorous young stock. It is futile to concentrate on preserving old and decaying trees and replace with healthy and vigorous young stock. It is futile to concentrate on preserving old and decaying trees and replace with the healthy and vigorous young stock. It is futile to concentrate on preserving old and decaying trees and replace with realty of the propose of

spoils the beauty and symmetry of the tree, becomes unnecessary. It is a booklet that should be in the hands of every public authority and those in charge of trees in parks, as well as private landowners, who will owners, who will find it a most instructive guide to the better treatment and management of their ornamental their ornamental trees. One of our tragedies in the past has been an unfortunate neglect of the beautiful trees by our roadside and in parks, and this commonsense, practical guide should do much to foster the spirit that has now awakened as to the importance of such a noble heritage, and encourage a wider and more and encourage a wider and more genuine interest in the proper the proper care and preservation of our roadside as street trees. T.



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## THE LADIES' FIELD

The Trend of Fashion in Paris: II. New Millinery

ARIS seems to have become more eclectic than ever in her choice of millinery, and every woman can suit herself. All the new hats impose a very careful arrangement of the hair, as almost every one is lifted high on the left side. Crowns like shallow, inverted basins or like that of a mandarin's hat, tam o'shanter crowns, narrow brims turned up all round, brims of cloche form, only wider, brims turned sheer up behind or no brims at all—all are accepted and all hats have the effect of having been cut and fitted carefully to the head of the woman been cut and fitted carefully to the head of the woman who wears them. A clever young milliner, Geoffry Swaffield—who is about to introduce his models to England—has invented the "Martha Washington" hat, which is a departure from the model which is lifted on one side, and faithfully copies the period hat from which it gets its name; while another of his creations is a tiny black straw model worn with an upward tilt to the left and finished with a long pale-coloured feather boa which comes from the crown of the hat and can be wound round the neck.

#### THREE SHADES OF BLUE

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All the great creators of modes in Paris are a law unto themselves, and Patou is showing a great deal of "midnight blue" millinery relieved with touches of the lighter blues that are used for the dresses. His three blues are the salient feature of his dress show this year, and include "midnight," "Patou's new blue"—which halts midway between royal and baby blue—and "flax." These three are the keynote of his schemes. With dark afternoon suits and frocks, white straw hats are to be seen, and very simple, smart and wearable they are with their becoming tilt on the left and without a hint of exaggeration. In these showrooms, too, one sees the little sac coat of the 'nineties revived again, while the bolero fastened cunningly to the belt at the back in several instances, thus ensuring a perfect set, is likewise much in thus ensuring a perfect set, is likewise much in evidence. For the evening, starched printed chiffon

plays an important part.

Jeanne Lanvin's millinery is as interesting as is everything else shown by this clever creator. I



A "Patou" hat of black picot straw, with a crown like an inverted basin and a trimming of white piqué

noticed a hat of shiny brown patent leather lined with pure white and having a stiff white cockade as trimming, and another in black patent was treated in the same fashion, while the *ciré* straws were immensely attractive. Her starched organdie frocks, with big organdie hats—for the hats to accompany light dresses were unquestionably large—seemed to bring midsummer into her the wree the strategy of the strateg into her showrooms.

## **EVENING WRAPS**

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Many of Augusta Bernard's evening coats are very long, touching the ground and even sweeping behind a little, while with her demure little black coat-frocks or suits in the almost inevitable woollen fabrics she uses carved silver, steel or crystal buttons as a relief. A very practical little evening frock of porcelain white washing lace and organdie had "shoulder knots" of the latter.

Navy is a colour of which one can hardly have too much this year. At Bruyère's it is treated in a dozen different ways, and all of them attractive. One of the favourites is to introduce navy and white spotted silk as trimming to a plain navy suit, or the whole suit may be formed of a fine woollen material powdered all over with the spots, a self-coloured belt and a hat of coarse straw in the same colour completing the effect. In other cases there may be a touch of cherry red as a relief, the necklace matching the belt of varnished leather.

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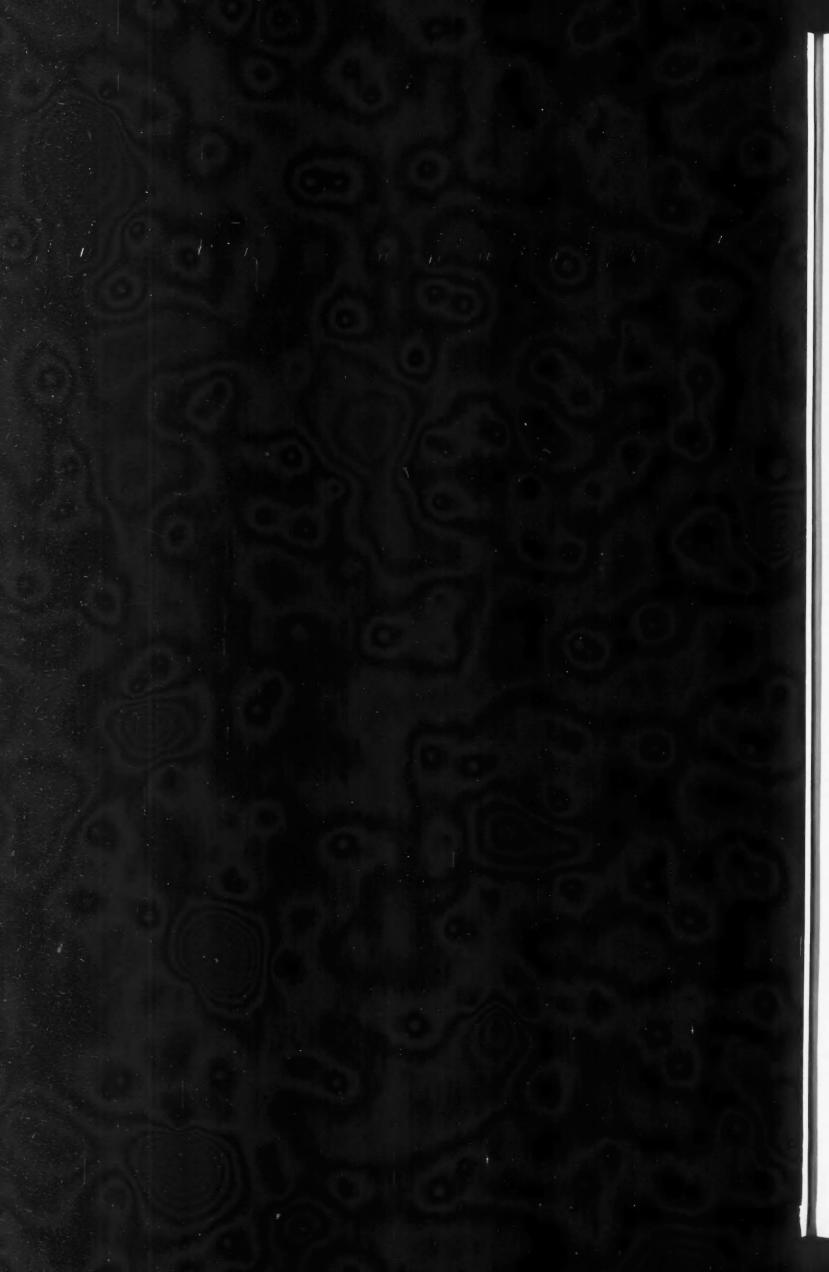
Mainbocher likewise adores the spotted navy and white effects, and I noticed among the models in this house a return to the elbow sleeve for afternoon wear in a single soft puff from the shoulder, a design of the 'nineties which seemed to divide the honours equally with the more modern and demure cape sleeve, the latter giving the fashionable and much sought after width to the shoulders. I thought that a black and navy walking suit of light-weight wool, with a Tunisian striped blouse (seen here) and starf, was delightfully simple and demure.

KATHLEEN M. BARROW. Mainbocher likewise adores the spotted navy and



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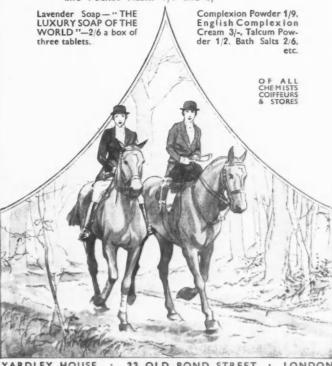
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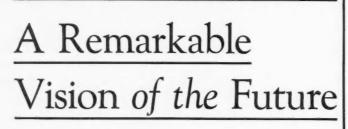
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